

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 818 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY BAKER, YUDICHAK, ARGALL, BROWNE, COSTA, ERICKSON,
 FERLO, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, McILHINNEY, RAFFERTY, SMUCKER,
 WASHINGTON, WOZNIAK, YAW AND PILEGGI, MARCH 11, 2011

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, MARCH 11, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juvenile matters,
 3 providing for disposition information.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 6352 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
 8 § 6352. Disposition of delinquent child.

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10 (c) Required statement of reasons.--Prior to entering an
 11 order of disposition under subsection (a), the court shall state
 12 the reasons for its disposition on the record in open court,
 13 together with the goals, terms and conditions of that
 14 disposition. If the child is to be committed to out-of-home
 15 placement, the court shall also state the name of the specific
 16 facility, or type of facility, to which the child will be
 17 committed and the reasons why commitment to that facility, or
 18 type of facility, was determined to be the least restrictive

1 placement that is consistent with the protection of the public
2 interest and best suited to the child's treatment, supervision,
3 rehabilitation and welfare.

4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.