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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT CONCERNING ADDITIONAL METHODS AND RESOURCES
TO DETER JUVENILE AUTO THEFT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That: (1) Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 46b-127 of the
2 general statutes be amended to require the automatic transfer to the
3 regular criminal docket of the Superior Court in the case of a child
4 charged with a violation of section 53a-123 or 53a-124 of the general
5 statutes if the property includes a motor vehicle, or criminal attempt of
6 the same; (2) subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 46b-127 of the
7 general statutes be amended to strike the reference to section 53a-122 of
8 the general statutes; (3) subsection (c) of section 46b-133 of the general
9 statutes be amended to expand the circumstances in which a court can
10 order a juvenile be detained prior to a court hearing if the juvenile is
11 arrested for larceny involving a motor vehicle, and also permit the court
12 to order, in lieu of detention, global positioning system monitoring of a
13 juvenile awaiting a court hearing; (4) subdivision (10) of section 46b-120
14 of the general statutes be amended to expand the definition of "serious

15 juvenile repeat offender" to include a child who has previously been
16 adjudicated delinquent for misdemeanor larceny offenses involving
17 motor vehicles; and (5) chapter 815 of the general statutes be amended
18 to require an investigation by the Department of Children and Families
19 if a juvenile is charged with larceny involving a motor vehicle, and to
20 provide necessary family support services and educational
21 opportunities for such juvenile, as well.

Statement of Purpose:

To offer additional pretrial educational and diversionary resources for juveniles in the criminal justice system while promoting public safety and reducing motor vehicle thefts by persistent juvenile offenders.