



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5094**

LCO No. 363



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

REP. MICHEL, 146th Dist.

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***AN ACT CONCERNING CUSTODIAL INTERFERENCE IN THE FIRST DEGREE.***

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

- 1 That section 53a-97 of the general statutes be amended to provide that
- 2 a person is guilty of custodial interference in the first degree when such
- 3 person is a parent, or a person acting pursuant to directions of a parent,
- 4 which parent after being served with process in an action affecting the
- 5 family, but prior to the issuance of a temporary or final order
- 6 determining custody of a minor child, takes or entices a child away from
- 7 the family unit with the intent of depriving the other parent of physical
- 8 custody of the child for a period of time in excess of fifteen days.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To amend section 53a-97 of the general statutes to align the statute with Connecticut common law with respect to the crime of custodial interference.