



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5342

LCO No. 1444



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESUMPTION OF JOINT CUSTODY IN
MATTERS INVOLVING THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF A MINOR
CHILD.***

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

- 1 That subsection (b) of section 46b-56 of the general statutes be
- 2 amended to provide that: (1) There shall be a rebuttal presumption that
- 3 joint custody and equal shared parenting time is in the best interest of
- 4 the child, (2) such presumption may be rebutted by clear and convincing
- 5 evidence, and (3) if a deviation from equal parenting time is warranted,
- 6 the court shall order a parenting time schedule that maximizes the time
- 7 each parent or de facto custodian has with the child and that is
- 8 consistent with ensuring the child's welfare.

Statement of Purpose:

To create a rebuttable presumption of joint custody and shared parenting time in matters involving the care and custody of a minor child.