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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

705 ILCS 405/5-745

Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 giving the court the ability to require the Department of Juvenile Justice to report about efforts to secure post-release placement.

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1 AN ACT concerning courts.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Juvenile Court Act of 1987 is amended by 5 changing Section 5-745 as follows:
- 6 (705 ILCS 405/5-745)
- 7 Sec. 5-745. Court review.

(1) The court may require any legal custodian or quardian 8 9 the person appointed under this Act, including the of Department of Juvenile Justice for youth committed under 10 Section 5-750 of this Act, to report periodically to the court 11 or may cite him or her into court and require him or her, or his 12 13 or her agency, to make a full and accurate report of his or her 14 or its doings in behalf of the minor, including efforts to secure post-release placement of the youth after release from 15 16 the Department's facilities. The legal custodian or guardian, 17 within 10 days after the citation, shall make the report, either in writing verified by affidavit or orally under oath in 18 19 open court, or otherwise as the court directs. Upon the hearing 20 of the report the court may remove the legal custodian or 21 guardian and appoint another in his or her stead or restore the 22 minor to the custody of his or her parents or former quardian or legal custodian. 23

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(2) A guardian or legal custodian appointed by the court 1 2 under this Act shall file updated case plans with the court every 6 months. Every agency which has guardianship of a child 3 shall file a supplemental petition for court review, or review 4 5 by an administrative body appointed or approved by the court and further order within 18 months of the sentencing order and 6 7 each 18 months thereafter. The petition shall state facts relative to the child's present condition of physical, mental 8 and emotional health as well as facts relative to his or her 9 10 present custodial or foster care. The petition shall be set for 11 hearing and the clerk shall mail 10 days notice of the hearing 12 by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the person or 13 agency having the physical custody of the child, the minor and other interested parties unless a written waiver of notice is 14 15 filed with the petition.

16 If the minor is in the custody of the Illinois Department 17 of Children and Family Services, pursuant to an order entered 18 under this Article, the court shall conduct permanency hearings 19 as set out in subsections (1), (2), and (3) of Section 2-28 of 20 Article II of this Act.

21 Rights of wards of the court under this Act are enforceable 22 against any public agency by complaints for relief by mandamus 23 filed in any proceedings brought under this Act.

(3) The minor or any person interested in the minor may
apply to the court for a change in custody of the minor and the
appointment of a new custodian or guardian of the person or for

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1 the restoration of the minor to the custody of his or her 2 parents or former guardian or custodian. In the event that the 3 minor has attained 18 years of age and the guardian or custodian petitions the court for an order terminating his or 4 5 her guardianship or custody, guardianship or legal custody 6 shall terminate automatically 30 days after the receipt of the 7 petition unless the court orders otherwise. No legal custodian or guardian of the person may be removed without his or her 8 consent until given notice and an opportunity to be heard by 9 the court. 10

11 (Source: P.A. 96-178, eff. 1-1-10.)