

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB0166

Introduced 1/11/2005, by Rep. Annazette Collins

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

705 ILCS 405/5-170 725 ILCS 5/115-1.5 new

Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Provides that in a delinquency or criminal proceeding, a minor may not waive the right to the assistance of counsel in his or her defense. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning right to counsel.

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

- 4 Section 5. The Juvenile Court Act of 1987 is amended by
- 5 changing Section 5-170 as follows:
- 6 (705 ILCS 405/5-170)
- 7 Sec. 5-170. Representation by counsel.
- 8 (a) In a proceeding under this Article, a minor who was
- 9 under 13 years of age at the time of the commission of an act
- 10 that if committed by an adult would be a violation of Section
- 11 9-1, 9-1.2, 9-2, 9-2.1, 9-3, 9-3.2, 9-3.3, 12-13, 12-14,
- 12 12-14.1, 12-15, or 12-16 of the Criminal Code of 1961 must be
- 13 represented by counsel during the entire custodial
- 14 interrogation of the minor.
- 15 (b) In a proceeding under this Article, a minor may not
- 16 <u>waive the right to the assistance of counsel in his or her</u>
- defense.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 91-915, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)
- 19 Section 10. The Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 is
- amended by adding Section 115-1.5 as follows:
- 21 (725 ILCS 5/115-1.5 new)
- Sec. 115-1.5. Waiver of counsel by persons under 18 years
- of age prohibited. A person under 18 years of age may not waive
- 24 the right to the assistance of counsel in his or her defense.
- 25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 26 becoming law.