

HB 430 -- JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION

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The bill changes the definition of "compulsory attendance age for the district" from 17 years of age to 18 years of age; "child" to include any person under 18 years of age; and "adult" to mean any person 18 years of age or older. The bill repeals the definition of a "status offense."

The bill also provides that certain amendments to the statute are subject to appropriations by the General Assembly for specified employment positions exceed amounts spent on those positions in the 2016 fiscal year.

A child who has been certified to stand trial as an adult on or after January 1, 2018, must be detained in a secure juvenile detention facility until whichever of the following occurs first: the child posts bail; the child turns 17, at which point the child will be transferred to an appropriate adult jail; or upon recommendation of a juvenile officer or superintendent of the juvenile detention facility and upon motion by the prosecuting attorney or circuit attorney the child has been ordered by the court to be removed from the juvenile detention facility after it is determined that keeping the child at the juvenile detention facility poses a risk of harm to other noncertified juveniles housed in the facility or to staff employed in the facility. The bill further specifies other restrictions and procedures regarding children certified to stand trial as adults.

The bill increases the minimum amount to be paid to the county governing body in whose custody a child is detained from \$14 per day to \$19 per day.

This bill is similar to HB 1812 (2016).