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HB No. 541

Abstract: Authorizes the use of video conferencing for juveniles for court appearances and contact with family and probation and parole officers.

Proposed law authorizes the use of video conferencing technology for the purpose of making face-to-face contacts between youth and family members, to facilitate monthly face-to-face contacts between the youth and a probation and parole officer, and to conduct court hearings.

Proposed law requires the deputy secretary of youth services of DPS&C to establish regulations to facilitate the use of video conferencing in facilities operated by the office of juvenile justice and provides that the use of video conferencing in those facilities shall be conducted in accordance with these regulations.

Proposed law requires the secretary of DCFS to establish regulations to facilitate the use of video conferencing in juvenile detention facilities licensed by DCFS and provides that the use of video conferencing in those facilities shall be conducted in accordance with these regulations.

(Adds Ch. C. Art. 410.1)