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SENATE BILL NO. 84

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

JUVENILE JUSTICE. Changes the effective date of the definition of "child". (6/1/18)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact Children's Code Article 804(1)(b), relative to juveniles; to change the
3	effective date of the definition of child; and to provide for related matters.
4	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
5	Section 1. Children's Code Article 804(1)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read
6	as follows:
7	Art. 804. Definitions
8	As used in this Title:
9	(1)(a) * * * *
10	(b) After June 30, 2018 2019, "child" means any person under the age of
11	twenty-one, including an emancipated minor, who commits a delinquent act on or
12	after July 1, $\frac{2018}{2019}$, when the act is not a crime of violence as defined in R.S.
13	14:2, and occurs before the person attains eighteen years of age.
14	* * *
15	Section 2. This Act shall become effective on June 1, 2018.

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<u>Present law</u> defines "child" as any person under the age of 21, including an emancipated minor, who commits a delinquent act before attaining 17 years of age.

<u>Present law</u> provides that after June 30, 2018, "child" shall mean any person under the age of 21, including an emancipated minor, who commits a delinquent act on or after July 1, 2018, when the act is not a crime of violence as defined in R.S. 14:2, and occurs before the person attains 18 years of age.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the effective date of <u>present law</u> to provide that after June 30, 2019, "child" shall mean any person under the age of 21, including an emancipated minor, who commits a delinquent act on or after July 1, 2019, when the act is not a crime of violence as defined in R.S. 14:2, and occurs before the person attains 18 years of age.

Effective June 1, 2018.

(Amends Ch.C. Art 804(1)(b))