The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Whitney Kauffeld.

DIGEST

SB 71 Original 2022 Regular Session Connick

Present law provides for the divestiture of the juvenile court's jurisdiction over serious felony offenses committed by juveniles over the age of 14 years.

Proposed law retains present law and clarifies that divestiture only occurs on a probable cause finding at a continued custody hearing or a return of a bill of indictment. Proposed law further clarifies that the district attorney has discretion to file a petition in juvenile court or obtain an indictment for certain serious felony offenses listed in present law. Proposed law further provides that if the district attorney files a petition in juvenile court, and the child waives a continued custody hearing, the jurisdiction remains for all further proceedings, including review of bail, with the juvenile court.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends Ch.C. Art. 305(A)(2) and (B)(3); adds Ch.C. Art. 305(A)(3))