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SENATE BILL NO. 183

BY SENATOR CARTER

SB 183 Original

JUVENILE JUSTICE. Requires an adjudicated child to be offered education services, vocational training, and counseling. (8/1/24)

1	AN ACT
2	To enact Children's Code Art. 804(1)(d), relative to delinquency; to require the provision of
3	certain services to juveniles adjudicated as delinquent; and to provide for related
4	matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. Children's Code Art. 804(1)(d) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	Art. 804. Definitions
8	As used in this Title:
9	(1)(a) * * *
10	(d) A child who is adjudicated pursuant to this Article shall be offered
11	educational services, vocational training, and counseling.
12	* * *
	The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alden A. Clement Jr.

Present law provides definitions relative to delinquency proceedings. Present law further defines "child" as follows:

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Coding: Words which are struck through are deletions from existing law; words in **boldface type and underscored** are additions.

- (1) "Child" means any person under the age of 21, including an emancipated minor, who commits a delinquent act before attaining 17 years of age.
- (2) Beginning March 1, 2019, "child" means any person under the age of 21, including an emancipated minor, who commits a delinquent act on or after March 1, 2019, when the act is not a crime of violence and occurs before the person attains 18 years of age.
- (3) After June 30, 2020, "child" means any person under the age of 21, including an emancipated minor, who commits a delinquent act on or after July 1, 2020, and before the person attains 18 years of age.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that a child who is adjudicated delinquent pursuant to <u>present law</u> shall be offered educational services, vocational training, and counseling.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds Ch.C. Art. 804(1)(d))