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Proposed Bill No. 6398

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Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by:
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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to establish a National Guard
- 2 Youth Challenge Program consistent with those established in other
- 3 states, in order to improve the educational attainment, life skills and
- 4 employment potential of youths from ages sixteen to twenty who are
- 5 not enrolled in high school and are at risk of incarceration, by providing
- 6 (1) academic coursework to aid in the completion of a high school
- 7 diploma or general educational development test, (2) health and
- 8 hygiene training, (3) employment skills training, (4) leadership training,
- 9 (5) life skills training, (6) opportunities for physical fitness, (7)
- 10 instruction on responsible citizenship, (8) opportunities for community
- 11 service, and (9) a personal mentor to assist each such youth in his or her
- 12 transition to adulthood.

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a National Guard Youth Challenge Program for youths from ages sixteen to twenty.