



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 1026

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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESUMPTION OF JOINT CUSTODY
AND EQUAL SHARED PARENTING TIME IN MATTERS INVOLVING
THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF A MINOR CHILD.**

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

- 1 That subsection (b) of section 46b-56 of the general statutes be
- 2 amended to provide that: (1) There shall be a rebuttable presumption
- 3 that joint custody and equal shared parenting time is in the best interest
- 4 of the child, (2) such presumption may be rebutted by clear and
- 5 convincing evidence, and (3) if a deviation from equal parenting time is
- 6 warranted, the court shall order a parenting time schedule that
- 7 maximizes the time each parent or de facto custodian has with the child
- 8 and that is consistent with ensuring the child's welfare.

Statement of Purpose:

To create a rebuttable presumption of joint custody and equal shared parenting time in matters involving the care and custody of a minor child.