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## COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR House Bill No. 2701

(By Delegates Shaver, Argento and Perry)

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### H. B. 2701

(BY DELEGATES SHAVER, ARGENTO AND PERRY)

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AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-5-12b, relating to making escape by any person from the custody of the Division of Juvenile Services a misdemeanor; providing for criminal penalties; establishing venue for the proceedings; and allowing for the transfer of jurisdiction back to the original committing court if the person is under eighteen and all parties agree.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

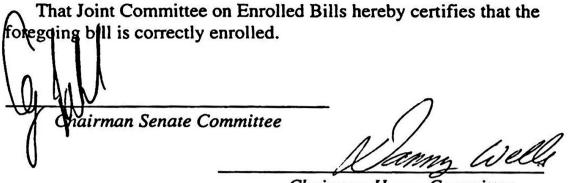
That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-5-12b, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 5. CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC JUSTICE.** 

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### §61-5-12b. Escape from custody of the Director of Juvenile Services; penalty venue.

- (a) Any person in the custody of the director of Division
  of Juvenile Services, regardless of where he or she confined
  or detained, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon
  conviction, shall be confined in jail, or in the case of a person
  in juvenile facility, for not more than one year.
- 6 (b) Venue for the prosecution of a violation of this 7 section shall be in the county in which the escape occurs: 8 *Provided*, That if the person is under the age of eighteen, 9 upon agreement of all parties, the prosecution of the escape 10 may be transferred to the circuit court from which the 11 juvenile was originally committed.



Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

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