

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 2856**

with committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: DECEMBER 15, 1997

The Assembly Judiciary Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2856.

This bill amends N.J.S.A.2A:4A-23 which defines "delinquency" in order to clarify that a violation of a municipal curfew ordinance would not constitute delinquency and therefore that municipal courts would have jurisdiction over curfew violations by juveniles rather than the Family Court.

The committee amendments are technical to correct the reference to the enactment of a municipal ordinance pursuant to the curfew law. The violation would not be to the curfew law itself but to the municipal ordinance.

This bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 1569(2R).