

(1) Complaints from a person or agency having knowledge of facts which may cause a person to be subject to the jurisdiction of the court under this subtitle; and

(2) Citations issued by a police officer under § 3-8A-33 of this subtitle.

(c) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, in considering the complaint, the intake officer shall make an inquiry within 25 days as to whether the court has jurisdiction and whether judicial action is in the best interests of the public or the child.

(2) An inquiry need not include an interview of the child who is the subject of the complaint if the complaint alleges the commission of an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult or alleges a violation of § 4-203 or § 4-204 of the Criminal Law Article.

(3) **[In]** SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF § 3-8A-10.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE, IN accordance with this section, the intake officer may, after such inquiry and within 25 days of receiving the complaint:

(i) Authorize the filing of a petition or a peace order request or both;

(ii) Propose an informal adjustment of the matter; or

(iii) Refuse authorization to file a petition or a peace order request or both.

(d) (1) **[The]** SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF § 3-8A-10.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE intake officer may authorize the filing of a petition or a peace order request or both if, based upon the complaint and the inquiry, the intake officer concludes that the court has jurisdiction over the matter and that judicial action is in the best interests of the public or the child.

(e) (1) **[The]** SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF § 3-8A-10.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE intake officer may propose an informal adjustment of the matter if, based on the complaint and the inquiry, the intake officer concludes that the court has jurisdiction but that an informal adjustment, rather than judicial action, is in the best interests of the public and the child.

3-8A-10.1.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) (I) "DESIGNATED ASSESSMENT SERVICE PROVIDER" MEANS A COMMUNITY-BASED PROVIDER OF ASSESSMENT, INTERVENTION, AND REFERRAL SERVICES TO CHILDREN ALLEGED TO BE IN NEED OF SUPERVISION AND THEIR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS.

(II) "DESIGNATED ASSESSMENT SERVICE PROVIDER" INCLUDES COUNTY STAFF, CONTRACTORS, AND RESOURCES THAT MAY PROVIDE ASSESSMENT,