

5-545. SAME -- POWERS AND DUTIES.

(A) DUTY TO REPORT.

EACH LOCAL BOARD SHALL REPORT IN WRITING TO THE JUVENILE COURT AND THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT ON EACH MINOR CHILD WHOSE CASE IS REVIEWED BY THE LOCAL BOARD.

(B) POWER TO RECOMMEND.

IN THE REPORT, THE LOCAL BOARD MAY RECOMMEND, AS BEING IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE MINOR CHILD:

(1) THAT THE CHILD BE RETURNED TO THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN;

(2) THAT THE CHILD CONTINUE TO BE PLACED OUTSIDE THE HOME AND THAT THE PRESENT PLACEMENT PLAN IS APPROPRIATE TO THE CHILD'S NEEDS;

(3) THAT THE CHILD CONTINUE TO BE PLACED OUTSIDE THE HOME, BUT THAT THE PRESENT PLACEMENT PLAN IS INAPPROPRIATE TO THE CHILD'S NEEDS; OR

(4) THAT PROCEEDINGS BE INITIATED TO TERMINATE THE RIGHTS OF THE PARENT AS TO THE CHILD SO THAT THE CHILD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADOPTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 88A, §§ 114(1) and 119(b).

In subsection (a) of this section, the defined term "local department" is substituted for the former obsolete reference to the "Department of Social Services" to conform to practice.

Defined terms: "Local board" § 5-501  
"Local department" § 5-101

5-546. COOPERATION BY FOSTER CARE AGENCIES.

EACH PUBLIC OR PRIVATE AGENCY OR INSTITUTION THAT PROVIDES OR ARRANGES FOSTER CARE FOR MINOR CHILDREN UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL GIVE TO THE STATE BOARD AND LOCAL BOARDS ANY INFORMATION THAT THE BOARDS NEED TO PERFORM THEIR DUTIES.

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