(2) THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT MAY PETITION THE COURT ON BEHALF OF THE CHILD FOR APPROPRIATE RELIEF.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived
 without substantive change from former Article 72A, §
8(d) and (e).

Throughout this section, the defined term "police officer" is substituted for the former term "law enforcement officer".

In subsection (a) of this section, the term "seek" is substituted for the former term "obtain" to conform to practice.

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the former phrase "pursuant to the order obtained under paragraph (1) of this subsection", is deleted as unnecessary.

In subsection (d)(2) of this section, the former phrase "including, when indicated" is deleted as unnecessary.

Defined terms: "Court" § 5-701
"Local department" § 5-701 "Police officer" § 5-701

## - 5-707. REPORTS AND RECORDS.

(A) CONFIDENTIALITY OF REPORTS AND RECORDS.

THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT, SUBJECT TO FEDERAL AND STATE LAW, SHALL PROVIDE, BY RULE OR REGULATION:

- (1) PROCEDURES FOR PROTECTING THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF REPORTS AND RECORDS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE; AND
- (2) CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH INFORMATION MAY BE RELEASED.
  - (B) EXPUNGEMENT OF RECORDS.
- (1) IF THE REPORT REQUIRED BY § 5-705(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE STATES THAT THERE IS NO NEGLECT, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT PROMPTLY SHALL EXPUNGE ALL RECORDS IN THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT THAT RELATE TO THAT REPORT.
- (2) IF THE REPORT REQUIRED BY § 5-705(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE STATES THAT NEGLECT IS NEITHER CONFIRMED NOR RULED OUT, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT WITHIN 1 YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT'S REPORT ON ITS FINDINGS, SHALL EXPUNGE ALL RECORDS IN THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT THAT RELATE TO THAT REPORT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 72A, § 8(f) and (g).