

(3) require the local department to make appropriate referrals to emergency shelter and other services for families with children who lack shelter.

5-525.1.

(A) If a child placement agency to which a child is committed under § 5-525 of this subtitle determines that adoption of the child is in the best interest of the child, the child placement agency shall refer the case to the agency attorney within 60 days of the determination and the agency attorney shall file a petition for termination of the natural parent's rights with the court within 60 days of receipt of the referral.

(B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A LOCAL DEPARTMENT TO WHICH A CHILD IS COMMITTED UNDER § 5-525 OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL FILE A PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OR JOIN A TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS ACTION THAT HAS BEEN FILED IF:

(I) THE CHILD HAS BEEN IN AN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT FOR 15 OF THE MOST RECENT 22 MONTHS;

(II) A COURT FINDS THAT THE CHILD IS AN ABANDONED INFANT;
OR

(III) A COURT FINDS THAT THE NATURAL PARENT HAS BEEN CONVICTED:

~~1. COMMITTED BEEN CONVICTED OF MURDER OF ANOTHER CHILD OF THE NATURAL PARENT;~~

~~2. COMMITTED BEEN CONVICTED OF VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER OF ANOTHER CHILD OF THE NATURAL PARENT;~~

~~3. AIDED OR ABETTED, ATTEMPTED, CONSPIRED, OR SOLICITED BEEN CONVICTED OF AIDING OR ABETTING, ATTEMPTING, CONSPIRING, OR SOLICITING TO COMMIT MURDER OR VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER OF ANOTHER CHILD OF THE NATURAL PARENT; OR~~

~~4. COMMITTED BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY ASSAULT THAT RESULTS IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY TO THE CHILD OR ANOTHER CHILD OF THE NATURAL PARENT.~~

1. IN THIS STATE OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE, AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 27, § 643B OF THE CODE, AGAINST THE CHILD, THE OTHER NATURAL PARENT OF THE CHILD, ANOTHER CHILD OF THE NATURAL PARENT, OR ANY PERSON WHO RESIDES IN THE HOUSEHOLD OF THE NATURAL PARENT;

2. IN ANY STATE OR IN ANY COURT OF THE UNITED STATES OF A CRIME THAT WOULD BE A CRIME OF VIOLENCE, AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 27, § 643B OF THE CODE, IF COMMITTED IN THIS STATE AGAINST THE CHILD, THE OTHER NATURAL PARENT OF THE CHILD, ANOTHER CHILD OF THE NATURAL PARENT, OR ANY PERSON WHO RESIDES IN THE HOUSEHOLD OF THE NATURAL PARENT; OR

3. OF AIDING OR ABETTING, CONSPIRING, OR SOLICITING TO COMMIT A CRIME DESCRIBED IN ITEM A OR ITEM B OF THIS ITEM.