

PARENT OF THE CHILD, ANOTHER CHILD OF THE NATURAL PARENT, OR ANY PERSON WHO RESIDES IN THE HOUSEHOLD OF THE NATURAL PARENT;

(II) 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

(III) OF AIDING OR ABETTING, CONSPIRING, OR SOLICITING TO COMMIT A CRIME DESCRIBED IN ITEM A OR ITEM B OF THIS ITEM; OR

(3) INVOLUNTARILY LOST PARENTAL RIGHTS OF A SIBLING OF A CHILD.

(B) IF THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT DETERMINES AFTER THE INITIAL PETITION IS FILED THAT ANY OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION EXISTS, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT ~~SHALL~~ MAY IMMEDIATELY REQUEST THE COURT TO FIND THAT REASONABLE EFFORTS TO REUNIFY THE CHILD WITH THE CHILD'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN ARE NOT REQUIRED.

(C) IF THE COURT FINDS BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT ANY OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION EXIST, THE COURT ~~SHALL~~ MAY SHALL WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT REASONABLE EFFORTS BE MADE TO REUNIFY THE CHILD WITH THE CHILD'S NATURAL PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

(D) IF THE COURT FINDS THAT REASONABLE EFFORTS ARE NOT REQUIRED, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(1) REQUEST THAT A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 3-826.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE COURT MAKES THE FINDING; AND

(2) MAKE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO PLACE THE CHILD IN A TIMELY MANNER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PERMANENCY PLAN AND COMPLETE THE STEPS NECESSARY TO FINALIZE THE PERMANENT PLACEMENT OF THE CHILD.

3-826.1.

(a) (1) THE COURT SHALL HOLD A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING:

(I) No later than [10] ~~12~~ 11 months after [disposition made] A CHILD ENTERS AN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT, AS DEFINED IN § 5-501 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE, in the case of a child alleged to be in need of assistance, [the court shall hold a hearing to review the implementation of a] TO DETERMINE THE permanency plan for each child committed under § 3-820(c)(1)(ii) of this subtitle; OR

(II) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE COURT DETERMINES THAT REASONABLE EFFORTS TO REUNIFY THE CHILD WITH THE CHILD'S NATURAL PARENT OR GUARDIAN ARE NOT REQUIRED BASED ON A FINDING THAT ONE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES ENUMERATED IN § 3-812.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE HAS OCCURRED.