

2. includes goals that promote the continuity of relations with individuals who will fill a lasting and significant role in the child's life.

(3) Subject to paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection and to the extent consistent with the best interests of a child in an out-of-home placement, in determining a permanency plan, the local department shall consider the following in descending order of priority:

(i) placement of the child in the local jurisdiction where the child's parent or guardian resides; or

(ii) if the local department finds, based on a compelling reason, that placement of the child as described in item (i) of this paragraph is not in the best interest of the child, placement of the child in another jurisdiction in the State after considering:

1. the availability of resources to provide necessary services to the child;

2. the accessibility to family treatment, if appropriate;
and

3. the effect on the local school system.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, April 8, 2008.

CHAPTER 17

(Senate Bill 104)

AN ACT concerning

Working Waterfront Commission – Reporting and Sunset Extension

FOR the purpose of altering the date by which the Working Waterfront Commission must make a certain report; altering the termination date of the Commission; and generally relating to the Working Waterfront Commission.