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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, if a child is found  
9 delinquent of an act which if committed by an adult  
10 would be a Class A or B felony, the court must  
11 notify the applicable school, and the school staff  
12 must use the information for the purpose of  
13 rehabilitating the child and protecting students  
14 and staff.

15 This bill would require a court to notify  
16 the school if a child has committed an assault in  
17 the first degree or an assault in the second degree  
18 on another student on school property.

19 This bill would require the school to  
20 discipline the child and, at a minimum, impose a  
21 30-day suspension or detention.

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23 A BILL  
24 TO BE ENTITLED  
25 AN ACT  
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1           Relating to school violence; to require a court to  
2     notify the school if a child has committed an assault in the  
3     first degree or an assault in the second degree on another  
4     student on school property; and to require the school to  
5     discipline the child and, at a minimum, impose a 30-day  
6     suspension or detention.

7     BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8           Section 1. (a) If a child enrolled in a school,  
9     kindergarten to grade 12, is adjudicated delinquent of or is  
10    convicted of committing an assault in the first degree or an  
11    assault in the second degree on another student and the  
12    assault occurred on school property, the court shall provide  
13    written notice to the district superintendent of the school  
14    district of attendance or, if the child attends a private  
15    school, to the principal of the school. The superintendent or  
16    principal shall discipline the child and require, at a  
17    minimum, a suspension or detention of at least 30 days.

18           (b) Nothing in this section shall relieve school  
19    staff from the confidentiality provisions set forth in  
20    Sections 12-15-133 and 12-15-217, Code of Alabama 1975.

21           Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
22    first day of the third month following its passage and  
23    approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.