

THE SENATE OF CANADA.

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BILL AS PASSED JUNE 16, 1908.

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**An Act respecting Juvenile Delinquents.**

**W**HEREAS it is inexpedient that youthful offenders should be classed or dealt with as ordinary criminals, the welfare of the community demanding that they should on the contrary be guarded against association with crime and criminals, and should be subjected to such wise care, treatment and control as will tend to check their evil tendencies and to strengthen their better instincts;

Therefore His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as **The Juvenile Interpretation Delinquents Act, 1908.**

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

(a) "**child**" means a **boy or girl** apparently or actually **under the age of sixteen years.**

(b) "**guardian**" includes any person who has in law or in fact the custody or control of any child.

(c) "**juvenile delinquent**" means any child who violates any provision of **The Criminal Code**, chapter 146 of **The Revised Statutes, 1906**, or of any Dominion or provincial statute or of any by-law or ordinance of any municipality, for which violation punishment by fine or imprisonment may be awarded; or, who is liable by reason of any other act to be committed to an Industrial School or Juvenile Reformatory under the provisions of any Dominion or Provincial statute.