

## **Family Court Act 718A (Effective 11-1-01)**

\* (a) A peace officer, acting pursuant to such peace officer`s special duties, or a police officer may return to a parent or other person legally responsible for such child`s care any child under the age of eighteen who has run away from home without just cause or who, in the reasonable conclusion of the officer, appears to have run away from home without just cause. For purposes of this action, a police officer or peace officer may reasonably conclude that a child has run away from home when the child refuses to give his or her name or the name and address of a parent or other person legally responsible for such child`s care or when the officer has reason to doubt that the name or address given are the actual name and address of the parent or other person legally responsible for the child`s care.

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