

**222.53 Conviction — suspension.**

If on the conviction in the district court of any person for any crime or for any violation of any municipal ordinance, or if on the determination in the court that a child is dependent, neglected, or delinquent and it appears from any evidence presented to the court before sentence, that such person has an intellectual disability within the meaning of [this chapter](#), the court may suspend sentence or order, and may order any officer of the court or some other proper person to file a petition permitted under the provisions of [this chapter](#) against such person. Pending hearing of the petition, the court shall provide for the custody of such person as directed in [section 222.52](#).

[C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §~~34~~54; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, §222.44; C66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §222.53]  
[2012 Acts, ch 1019, §49](#)