## 2023 Report Cards on Child & Youth Sex Trafficking

## CSEC SCREENING: JUVENILE JUSTICE

## POLICY GOAL 2.4

State law mandates juvenile justice agencies to conduct trauma-informed CSEC screening for children at risk of sex trafficking.

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| screening for children at risk of sex trafficking. |
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<sup>1</sup> Evaluations of state laws are based on legislation enacted as of July 1, 2023. Responses do not include an analysis of case law, agency rules, regulations, or practices/initiatives that exist outside of statutory law. For more information on the importance of this policy goal, please visit <u>https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/related-resources/#2.4</u>.

<sup>2</sup> However, Alabama law requires a juvenile court intake officer to screen a prostitution complaint filed against a child to determine whether the child meets the legal definition of "sexually exploited child."

<sup>3</sup> The Texas Juvenile Justice Department is required to evaluate the use of screening tools for purposes of identifying and responding to commercial sexual exploitation.

<sup>4</sup> Though not technically a state, District of Columbia has been included in the overall state count for statistical purposes.