

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB2748

Introduced 1/16/2024, by Sen. Adriane Johnson

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

325 ILCS 5/7.2

from Ch. 23, par. 2057.2

Amends the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. In a provision concerning law enforcement assistance for child protective investigators when responding to a high-risk report of child abuse or neglect, provides that when assistance is not available from law enforcement with primary jurisdiction, law enforcement from any other police jurisdiction in Illinois may provide assistance to a child protection investigator.

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1 AN ACT concerning children.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act is amended by changing Section 7.2 as follows:
- 6 (325 ILCS 5/7.2) (from Ch. 23, par. 2057.2)
- Sec. 7.2. The Department shall establish а Child 8 Protective Service Unit within each geographic region as 9 designated by the Director of the Department. The Child Protective Service Unit shall perform those functions assigned 10 by this Act to it and only such others that would further the 11 purposes of this Act. It shall have a sufficient staff of 12 13 qualified personnel to fulfill the purpose of this Act and be 14 organized in such a way as to maximize the continuity of responsibility, care and service of the individual workers 15 16 toward the individual children and families.
 - The Child Protective Service Unit shall designate members of each unit to receive specialty training to serve as special consultants to unit staff and the public in the areas of child sexual abuse, child deaths and injuries, and out-of-home investigations.
- 22 If a child protective investigator of a Child Protective 23 Service Unit is unable to obtain assistance from other unit

members when responding to a high-risk report of child abuse or neglect and the child protective investigator has a reasonable belief or suspicion that a subject named in the report has the potential for violence, the child protective investigator may request assistance from local law enforcement officers to be provided at a mutually available time. Law enforcement officers shall, upon request, make all reasonable efforts to assist the child protective investigator in receiving law enforcement assistance. When assistance is not available from law enforcement with primary jurisdiction, law enforcement from any other police jurisdiction in Illinois may provide assistance to a child protection investigator that is outside the accompanying officers' primary jurisdiction.

14 (Source: P.A. 100-625, eff. 7-20-18.)