

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB5132

Introduced 1/29/2010, by Rep. Roger L. Eddy

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 505/5.31 new 325 ILCS 5/2.01 new 325 ILCS 5/3

from Ch. 23, par. 2053

Amends the Children and Family Services Act and the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to investigate reports of abuse or neglect of a student with disabilities as it would reports of abuse or neglect of a child. Defines "student with disabilities" to mean a public school student between the ages of 18 and 21 years, inclusive to the day before the student's 22nd birthday, who is identified as having multiple disabilities and who is enrolled in an individualized education program. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning children.

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

- Section 5. The Children and Family Services Act is amended by adding Section 5.31 as follows:
- 6 (20 ILCS 505/5.31 new)
- 7 Sec. 5.31. Student with disabilities. The Department shall investigate reports of abuse or neglect of a student with 8 9 disabilities as it would reports of abuse or neglect of a 10 child. For purposes of this Section, "student with disabilities" means a public school student between the ages of 11 12 18 and 21 years, inclusive to the day before the student's 22nd birthday, who is identified as having multiple disabilities as 13 14 that term is defined in 34 CFR 300.8 (c)(7) and who is enrolled in an individualized education program as that term is defined 15
- Section 10. The Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act is amended by changing Section 3 and adding Section 2.01 as follows:
- 20 (325 ILCS 5/2.01 new)

in 34 CFR 300.320.

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21 <u>Sec. 2.01. Student with disabilities. The Department shall</u>

- investigate reports of abuse or neglect of a student with 1
- 2 disabilities as it would reports of abuse or neglect of a
- 3 child. For purposes of this Section, "student with
- disabilities" means a public school student between the ages of 4
- 5 18 and 21 years, inclusive to the day before the student's 22nd
- birthday, who is identified as having multiple disabilities as 6
- 7 that term is defined in 34 CFR 300.8 (c) (7) and who is enrolled
- in an individualized education program as that term is defined 8
- 9 in 34 CFR 300.320.
- 10 (325 ILCS 5/3) (from Ch. 23, par. 2053)
- 11 Sec. 3. As used in this Act unless the context otherwise
- 12 requires:
- "Child" means any person under the age of 18 years, unless 1.3
- 14 legally emancipated by reason of marriage or entry into a
- 15 branch of the United States armed services.
- 16 "Department" means Department of Children and Family
- 17 Services.
- "Local law enforcement agency" means the police of a city, 18
- 19 town, village or other incorporated area or the sheriff of an
- 20 unincorporated area or any sworn officer of the Illinois
- 21 Department of State Police.
- 22 "Abused child" means a child whose parent or immediate
- 23 family member, or any person responsible for the child's
- 24 welfare, or any individual residing in the same home as the
- 25 child, or a paramour of the child's parent:

- (a) inflicts, causes to be inflicted, or allows to be inflicted upon such child physical injury, by other than accidental means, which causes death, disfigurement, impairment of physical or emotional health, or loss or impairment of any bodily function;
- (b) creates a substantial risk of physical injury to such child by other than accidental means which would be likely to cause death, disfigurement, impairment of physical or emotional health, or loss or impairment of any bodily function;
- (c) commits or allows to be committed any sex offense against such child, as such sex offenses are defined in the Criminal Code of 1961, as amended, and extending those definitions of sex offenses to include children under 18 years of age;
- (d) commits or allows to be committed an act or acts of torture upon such child;
 - (e) inflicts excessive corporal punishment;
- (f) commits or allows to be committed the offense of female genital mutilation, as defined in Section 12-34 of the Criminal Code of 1961, against the child; or
- (g) causes to be sold, transferred, distributed, or given to such child under 18 years of age, a controlled substance as defined in Section 102 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act in violation of Article IV of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act or in violation of the

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Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, except for controlled substances that are prescribed in accordance with Article III of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act and are dispensed to such child in a manner that substantially complies with the prescription.

A child shall not be considered abused for the sole reason that the child has been relinquished in accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act.

The term "abused child" includes an abused "student with disabilities" as that term is defined in Section 2.01 of this Act.

"Neglected child" means any child who is not receiving the necessary nourishment or medically indicated proper or treatment including food or care not provided solely on the basis of the present or anticipated mental or physical impairment as determined by a physician acting alone or in consultation with other physicians or otherwise is not receiving the proper or necessary support or medical or other remedial care recognized under State law as necessary for a child's well-being, or other care necessary for his or her well-being, including adequate food, clothing and shelter; or who is abandoned by his or her parents or other person responsible for the child's welfare without a proper plan of care; or who has been provided with interim crisis intervention services under Section 3-5 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and whose parent, quardian, or custodian refuses to permit the 1

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child to return home and no other living arrangement agreeable to the parent, guardian, or custodian can be made, and the parent, quardian, or custodian has not made any other appropriate living arrangement for the child; or who is a newborn infant whose blood, urine, or meconium contains any amount of a controlled substance as defined in subsection (f) of Section 102 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act or a metabolite thereof, with the exception of a controlled substance or metabolite thereof whose presence in the newborn infant is the result of medical treatment administered to the mother or the newborn infant. A child shall not be considered neglected for the sole reason that the child's parent or other person responsible for his or her welfare has left the child in the care of an adult relative for any period of time. A child shall not be considered neglected for the sole reason that the child has been relinquished in accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act. A child shall not be considered neglected or abused for the sole reason that such child's parent or other person responsible for his or her welfare depends upon spiritual means through prayer alone for the treatment or cure of disease or remedial care as provided under Section 4 of this Act. A child shall not be considered neglected or abused solely because the child is not attending school in accordance with the requirements of Article 26 of The School Code, as amended.

The term "neglected child" includes a neglected "student

with disabilities" as that term is defined in Section 2.01 of

2 <u>this Act.</u>

"Child Protective Service Unit" means certain specialized State employees of the Department assigned by the Director to perform the duties and responsibilities as provided under Section 7.2 of this Act.

"Person responsible for the child's welfare" means the child's parent; guardian; foster parent; relative caregiver; any person responsible for the child's welfare in a public or private residential agency or institution; any person responsible for the child's welfare within a public or private profit or not for profit child care facility; or any other person responsible for the child's welfare at the time of the alleged abuse or neglect, or any person who came to know the child through an official capacity or position of trust, including but not limited to health care professionals, educational personnel, recreational supervisors, members of the clergy, and volunteers or support personnel in any setting where children may be subject to abuse or neglect.

"Temporary protective custody" means custody within a hospital or other medical facility or a place previously designated for such custody by the Department, subject to review by the Court, including a licensed foster home, group home, or other institution; but such place shall not be a jail or other place for the detention of criminal or juvenile offenders.

- 1 "An unfounded report" means any report made under this Act
- 2 for which it is determined after an investigation that no
- 3 credible evidence of abuse or neglect exists.
- 4 "An indicated report" means a report made under this Act if
- 5 an investigation determines that credible evidence of the
- 6 alleged abuse or neglect exists.
- 7 "An undetermined report" means any report made under this
- 8 Act in which it was not possible to initiate or complete an
- 9 investigation on the basis of information provided to the
- 10 Department.
- "Subject of report" means any child reported to the central
- 12 register of child abuse and neglect established under Section
- 7.7 of this Act and his or her parent, guardian or other person
- responsible who is also named in the report.
- 15 "Perpetrator" means a person who, as a result of
- investigation, has been determined by the Department to have
- 17 caused child abuse or neglect.
- "Member of the clergy" means a clergyman or practitioner of
- 19 any religious denomination accredited by the religious body to
- which he or she belongs.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 94-556, eff. 9-11-05; 95-443, eff. 1-1-08.)
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 23 becoming law.