

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY PENNYCUICK, MARTIN, BAKER, BROWN, CULVER,
BARTOLOTTA, STEFANO, LANGERHOLC, PHILLIPS-HILL, ARGALL,
FARRY, VOGEL, COSTA, ROTHMAN, LAUGHLIN, SCHWANK, J. WARD,
SANTARSIERO, ROBINSON AND MALONE, OCTOBER 8, 2025

SENATOR BAKER, JUDICIARY, AS AMENDED, OCTOBER 28, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further
3 providing for EXCLUSIONS FROM CHILD ABUSE AND FOR persons <--
4 required to report suspected child abuse.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 ~~Section 1. Section 6311 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania~~ <--
8 ~~Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:~~

9 SECTION 1. SECTION 6304(F)(2)(I) OF TITLE 23 OF THE <--
10 PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES IS AMENDED TO READ:

11 § 6304. EXCLUSIONS FROM CHILD ABUSE.

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13 (F) CHILD-ON-CHILD CONTACT.--

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15 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (1), THE FOLLOWING SHALL
16 APPLY:

17 (I) ACTS CONSTITUTING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CRIMES
18 AGAINST A CHILD SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE REPORTING

1 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS CHAPTER:

2 (A) RAPE AS DEFINED IN 18 PA.C.S. § 3121
3 (RELATING TO RAPE);

4 (B) INVOLUNTARY DEVIATE SEXUAL INTERCOURSE AS
5 DEFINED IN 18 PA.C.S. § 3123 (RELATING TO INVOLUNTARY
6 DEVIATE SEXUAL INTERCOURSE);

7 (C) SEXUAL ASSAULT AS DEFINED IN 18 PA.C.S. §
8 3124.1 (RELATING TO SEXUAL ASSAULT);

9 (D) AGGRAVATED INDECENT ASSAULT AS DEFINED IN 18
10 PA.C.S. § 3125 (RELATING TO AGGRAVATED INDECENT
11 ASSAULT);

12 (E) INDECENT ASSAULT AS DEFINED IN 18 PA.C.S. §
13 3126 (RELATING TO INDECENT ASSAULT); [AND]

14 (F) INDECENT EXPOSURE AS DEFINED IN 18 PA.C.S. §
15 3127 (RELATING TO INDECENT EXPOSURE) [.] ;

16 (G) UNLAWFUL DISSEMINATION OF INTIMATE IMAGE AS
17 DEFINED IN 18 PA.C.S. § 3131 (RELATING TO UNLAWFUL
18 DISSEMINATION OF INTIMATE IMAGE); AND

19 (H) SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN AS DEFINED IN 18
20 PA.C.S. § 6312 (RELATING TO SEXUAL ABUSE OF
21 CHILDREN).

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23 SECTION 2. SECTION 6311(C) OF TITLE 23 IS AMENDED AND THE
24 SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:

25 § 6311. Persons required to report suspected child abuse.

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27 (C) STAFF MEMBERS OF INSTITUTIONS, ETC.--WHENEVER A PERSON
28 IS REQUIRED TO REPORT UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OR (E) IN THE
29 CAPACITY AS A MEMBER OF THE STAFF OF A MEDICAL OR OTHER PUBLIC
30 OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION, SCHOOL, FACILITY OR AGENCY, THAT PERSON

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1 SHALL REPORT IMMEDIATELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 6313 AND
2 SHALL IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER NOTIFY THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE
3 INSTITUTION, SCHOOL, FACILITY OR AGENCY OR THE DESIGNATED AGENT
4 OF THE PERSON IN CHARGE. UPON NOTIFICATION, THE PERSON IN CHARGE
5 OR THE DESIGNATED AGENT, IF ANY, SHALL FACILITATE THE
6 COOPERATION OF THE INSTITUTION, SCHOOL, FACILITY OR AGENCY WITH
7 THE INVESTIGATION OF THE REPORT. ANY INTIMIDATION, RETALIATION
8 OR OBSTRUCTION IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THE REPORT IS SUBJECT TO
9 THE PROVISIONS OF 18 PA.C.S. § 4958 (RELATING TO INTIMIDATION,
10 RETALIATION OR OBSTRUCTION IN CHILD ABUSE CASES). THIS CHAPTER
11 DOES NOT REQUIRE MORE THAN ONE REPORT FROM ANY SUCH INSTITUTION,
12 SCHOOL, FACILITY OR AGENCY.

13 (e) Additional reporting.--A mandated reporter enumerated in
14 subsection (a) shall make a report of suspected child abuse in
15 accordance with section 6313 via the Statewide toll-free
16 telephone number under section 6332 (relating to establishment
17 of Statewide toll-free telephone number) or by electronic
18 submission under section 6305 (relating to electronic reporting)
19 if the mandated reporter comes into contact with or has
20 reasonable cause to suspect the existence of child sexual abuse
21 material or artificially generated child sexual abuse material
22 as those terms are defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 6312(g) (relating to
23 sexual abuse of children). This subsection shall apply whether
24 or not the material was created, displayed or exhibited to
25 others by a minor. Upon receipt of a report under this
26 subsection, the department shall transmit a copy of the report
27 to the appropriate law enforcement agency and may transmit a
28 copy of the report to the appropriate county agency.

29 Section ~~2~~ 3. This act shall take effect ~~in 90 days~~. AS
30 FOLLOWS:

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1 (1) THE AMENDMENT OF 23 PA.C.S. § 6304 (F) (2) (I) SHALL
2 TAKE EFFECT IN 60 DAYS.
3 (2) THIS SECTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.
4 (3) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN 90
5 DAYS.