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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 6304(f)(2)(i) of Title 23 of the  
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 6304. Exclusions from child abuse.

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11 (f) Child-on-child contact.--

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13 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the following shall  
14 apply:

15 (i) Acts constituting any of the following crimes  
16 against a child shall be subject to the reporting  
17 requirements of this chapter:

18 (A) rape as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 3121

19 (relating to rape);

1 (B) involuntary deviate sexual intercourse as  
2 defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 3123 (relating to involuntary  
3 deviate sexual intercourse);

4 (C) sexual assault as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. §  
5 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault);

6 (D) aggravated indecent assault as defined in 18  
7 Pa.C.S. § 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent  
8 assault);

9 (E) indecent assault as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. §  
10 3126 (relating to indecent assault); [and]

11 (F) indecent exposure as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. §  
12 3127 (relating to indecent exposure) [.] ;

13 (G) unlawful dissemination of intimate image as  
14 defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 3131 (relating to unlawful  
15 dissemination of intimate image); and

16 (H) sexual abuse of children as defined in 18  
17 Pa.C.S. § 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of  
18 children).

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20 Section 2. Section 6311(c) of Title 23 is amended and the  
21 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

22 § 6311. Persons required to report suspected child abuse.

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24 (c) Staff members of institutions, etc.--Whenever a person  
25 is required to report under subsection (b) or (e) in the  
26 capacity as a member of the staff of a medical or other public  
27 or private institution, school, facility or agency, that person  
28 shall report immediately in accordance with section 6313 and  
29 shall immediately thereafter notify the person in charge of the  
30 institution, school, facility or agency or the designated agent

1 of the person in charge. Upon notification, the person in charge  
2 or the designated agent, if any, shall facilitate the  
3 cooperation of the institution, school, facility or agency with  
4 the investigation of the report. Any intimidation, retaliation  
5 or obstruction in the investigation of the report is subject to  
6 the provisions of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4958 (relating to intimidation,  
7 retaliation or obstruction in child abuse cases). This chapter  
8 does not require more than one report from any such institution,  
9 school, facility or agency.

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

25 Section 3. This act shall take effect in one year.