

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1413 Session of 2012

INTRODUCED BY WARD, SCARNATI, PILEGGI, COSTA, VOGEL, YAW,
ALLOWAY, McILHINNEY, TOMLINSON, PIPPY, BROWNE, RAFFERTY,
SOLOBAY, FERLO, ARGALL, MENSCH, SMUCKER, BAKER, ERICKSON,
D. WHITE, EICHELBERGER, HUGHES, YUDICHAK, WASHINGTON,
KASUNIC, LEACH, FONTANA, BOSCOLA, STACK, PICCOLA AND FARNESE,
FEBRUARY 27, 2012

REFERRED TO AGING AND YOUTH, FEBRUARY 27, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further
3 providing for penalties for failure to report or to refer.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6319 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 6319. Penalties for failure to report or to refer.

9 A person or official required by this chapter to report a
10 case of suspected child abuse or to make a referral to the
11 appropriate authorities who willfully fails to do so commits a
12 misdemeanor of the [third] first degree for the first violation
13 and a [misdemeanor of the second] felony of the third degree for
14 a second or subsequent violation.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.