
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1045 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY CUTLER, BAKER, STERN, STEPHENS, AUMENT, O'BRIEN,
SCHLOSSBERG, MILLARD, HICKERNELL, KAUFFMAN, DENLINGER,
GINGRICH, BISHOP, COHEN AND DeLUCA, MARCH 21, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 21, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for false reports of child
3 abuse.

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

6 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 4906.1. False reports of child abuse.

9 A person commits a misdemeanor of the second degree if the
10 person knowingly or intentionally makes a report of child abuse
11 that is false or induces a child to make a false claim of child
12 abuse under 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 63 (relating to child protective
13 services) for any of the following purposes:

14 (1) Harassing, embarrassing or harming another person.

15 (2) Personal financial gain.

16 (3) Acquiring any right under 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 53
17 (relating to child custody).

18 (4) Personal benefit in any other private dispute.

1 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.