

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 835 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY PETRARCA, OTTEN, KINSEY, MILLARD, FREEMAN, HILL- EVANS, TOOHIL AND McCLINTON, MARCH 14, 2019

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 15, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further
3 providing for investigation of reports.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6368(d) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:
8 § 6368. Investigation of reports.

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10 (d) Investigative actions.--During the investigation, all of
11 the following shall apply:

12 \* \* \*

13 (5) The SUBJECT TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENTS OF ◀
14 SECTION 6339 (RELATING TO CONFIDENTIALITY OF REPORTS), THE
15 county agency shall have access to and shall review each
16 record REQUESTED relating to the child, including medical ◀
17 records, records of drug and alcohol treatment and school ◀

1 records pursuant to the cooperation required under sections  
2 6340.1 (relating to exchange of information) and 6346  
3 (relating to cooperation of other agencies). NEITHER THE ◀  
4 CONSENT OF THE PARENTS NOR ANY OTHER RELEASE SHALL BE  
5 REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE RECORDS REQUESTED BY THE COUNTY  
6 AGENCY. THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL ONLY APPLY TO THE EXTENT  
7 PERMITTED BY FEDERAL LAW.

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