
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 683 Session of
2019

INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, COSTA, FONTANA, FARNESE, AUMENT, BROWNE,
BREWSTER, SANTARSIERO, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK AND STEFANO,
JUNE 6, 2019

REFERRED TO AGING AND YOUTH, JUNE 6, 2019

AN ACT

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

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

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

8 § 6319. Penalties.

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10 (b) Continuing course of action.--If a person's willful
11 failure under subsection (a) continues while the person knows or
12 has reasonable cause to believe the [child is actively being
13 subjected to] perpetrator is likely to commit additional acts of
14 child abuse, the person commits a misdemeanor of the first
15 degree, except that if the child abuse constitutes a felony of
16 the first degree or higher, the person commits a felony of the
17 third degree.

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