

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 518 Session of
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FEBRUARY 10, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGING AND YOUTH, FEBRUARY 10, 1999

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for face-to-face contact for
3 high risk abused children.

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

6 Section 1. Sections 6362 and 6375 of Title 23 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended by adding
8 subsections to read:

9 § 6362. Responsibilities of county agency for child protective
10 services.

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12 (f) Weekly face-to-face contacts.--For those children
13 assessed as being at high risk for abuse or neglect who are

1 remaining in or returning to the home in which the abuse
2 occurred, the county agency shall ensure that those children are
3 seen at least once a week until they are no longer assessed as
4 being at high risk for abuse or neglect.

5 § 6375. County agency requirements for general protective
6 services.

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8 (m) Weekly face-to-face contacts.--For those children
9 assessed under this section as being at high risk for abuse or
10 neglect who are remaining in or returning to the home in which
11 the abuse or neglect occurred, the county agency shall ensure
12 that those children are seen at least once a week until they are
13 no longer assessed as being at high risk for abuse or neglect.

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