## DOMESTIC RELATIONS CODE (23 PA.C.S.) - COMMENCEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

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HB 44

## AN ACT

Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in protection from abuse, further providing for commencement of proceedings.

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

Section 1. Section 6106 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read: § 6106. Commencement of proceedings.

- (a.4) Notification regarding child abuse investigation. --
- (1) If the plaintiff has knowledge of a founded or indicated report of child abuse under Chapter 63 (relating to child protective services) involving the defendant, the petition shall include that information together with the name of the investigative agency.
- (2) The notice of hearing and order shall include notice to the defendant that an order issued under this chapter may have an impact on the defendant under Chapter 63. The court shall develop procedures to implement the provisions of this paragraph.
- Section 2. The addition of 23 Pa.C.S.  $\S$  6106(a.4) shall apply to:
  - (1) An action under 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 filed on or after the effective date of this section.
  - (2) A petition to modify or extend a protection from abuse order under 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 filed on or after the effective date of this section.

Section 3. This act shall take effect in 180 days.

APPROVED--The 24th day of October, A.D. 2018.

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