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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further  
3 providing for definitions and for information relating to  
4 family day-care home residents.

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

7 Section 1. Section 6303(a) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:  
9 § 6303. Definitions.

10 (a) General rule.--The following words and phrases when used  
11 in this chapter shall have the meanings given to them in this  
12 section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

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14 "Relative/neighbor care." Child care provided by an  
15 individual who cares for three or fewer children unrelated to  
16 the individual in the individual's home.

17 \* \* \*

18 Section 2. Section 6344.1(a) and (c) of Title 23 are amended  
19 to read:

1 § 6344.1. Information relating to family day-care home and  
2 relative/neighbor care residents.

3 (a) General rule.--In addition to the requirements of  
4 section 6344 (relating to information relating to prospective  
5 child-care personnel), an individual who applies to the  
6 department for a registration certificate to operate a family  
7 day-care home or to provide relative/neighbor care shall include  
8 criminal history record and child abuse record information  
9 required under section 6344(b) for every individual 18 years of  
10 age or older who resides in the home for at least 30 days in a  
11 calendar year.

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13 (c) Effect on registration.--The department shall refuse to  
14 issue or renew a registration certificate or shall revoke a  
15 registration certificate if the family day-care home provider or  
16 relative/neighbor care provider or individual 18 years of age or  
17 older who has resided in the home for at least 30 days in a  
18 calendar year:

19 (1) is named in the central register on child abuse  
20 established under Chapter 63 (relating to child protective  
21 services) as the perpetrator of a founded report committed  
22 within the immediately preceding five-year period; or

23 (2) has been convicted of an offense enumerated in  
24 section 6344(c).

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26 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.