

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JUNE 29, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further
3 providing for establishment of Statewide toll-free telephone
4 number.

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

7 Section 1. Section 6332 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a ~~subsection~~ <--

9 SUBSECTIONS to read: <--

10 § 6332. Establishment of Statewide toll-free telephone number.

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12 (c) Posting Statewide toll-free telephone number in
13 schools.--All public and nonpublic schools that enroll students
14 in grades kindergarten through 12 shall publicly display at each
15 school campus a poster UNIFORMLY DESIGNED BY THE DEPARTMENT that <--
16 contains the Statewide toll-free telephone number for reporting
17 suspected child abuse or neglect. ~~The poster shall be 11 inches~~ <--

1 ~~by 17 inches or larger and of a uniform design approved by the~~  
2 ~~department in consultation with the Department of Education. The~~  
3 ~~poster shall be posted in a high-traffic, public area of the~~  
4 ~~school that is readily accessible to and widely used by~~  
5 ~~students. The DEPARTMENT SHALL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE~~ <--  
6 ~~DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DESIGN THE POSTER TO BE 11 INCHES BY 17~~  
7 ~~INCHES OR LARGER, DISPLAY THE Statewide toll-free telephone~~  
8 ~~number, WHICH shall be printed in bold print. The poster shall~~ <--  
9 ~~also, AND include the department's publicly accessible Internet~~ <--  
10 ~~website that provides information and resources related to child~~  
11 ~~protection. THE DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL~~ <--  
12 ~~MAKE THE POSTER AVAILABLE ON THEIR PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INTERNET~~  
13 ~~WEBSITES TO ALL PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS.~~

14 (D) POSTING STATEWIDE TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER IN  
15 HOSPITALS.--ALL HOSPITALS SHALL PUBLICLY DISPLAY A POSTER THAT  
16 CONTAINS THE STATEWIDE TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR REPORTING  
17 SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT. THE POSTER SHALL BE 11 INCHES  
18 BY 17 INCHES OR LARGER AND OF A UNIFORM DESIGN APPROVED BY THE  
19 DEPARTMENT IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. THE  
20 POSTER SHALL BE POSTED IN A HIGH-TRAFFIC, PUBLIC AREA OF THE  
21 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT OF THE HOSPITAL. THE STATEWIDE TOLL-FREE  
22 TELEPHONE NUMBER SHALL BE PRINTED IN BOLD PRINT. THE POSTER  
23 SHALL ALSO INCLUDE THE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INTERNET  
24 WEBSITE THAT PROVIDES INFORMATION AND RESOURCES RELATED TO CHILD  
25 PROTECTION.

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