

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Bill Analysis

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Reps. Kent, Ashford, Miller, Clyde

BILL SUMMARY

• Adds municipal and county peace officers to the list of professionals who must report known or suspected child abuse and neglect.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill adds municipal and county peace officers to the list of persons who, acting in a professional or official capacity, must report known or suspected child abuse or neglect. Under continuing law, a mandatory reporter must make the report to the county public children services agency ("PCSA") or a municipal or county peace officer in the county where the child resides or where the abuse or neglect is occurring or has occurred.¹ All other individuals may, but are not required to, make a report in such instances.² The PCSA must investigate each report of child abuse or neglect that it receives within 24 hours.³

HISTORY	
ACTION	DATE
Introduced	03-21-17
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¹ R.C. 2151.421(A)(1)(a) and (b).	
² R.C. 2151.421(B).	
³ R.C. 2151.421(G)(1).	