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Act No. 100 (H.582). An act relating to adult protective services

Subjects: Human services; Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living; vulnerable adults; adult protective services

This act amends certain definitions for the chapter on adult protective services, including modifying the definition of “neglect” to remove an intent element and adding a definition of “fiduciary.” The act establishes a new process by which neglect of a vulnerable adult that is allowed to have occurred in a State-licensed facility or program or to have been committed by a State-licensed individual would be reported to the relevant licensing entities. The act also modifies the process and timing for an alleged perpetrator of abuse, neglect, or exploitation to appeal a finding of substantiation to the Human Services Board, including narrowing the scope of appeals that will be given priority to those appeals that have immediate employment consequences for the person who is appealing.

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