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**Act No. 108 (S.239). An act relating to the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Working Group**

**Subjects: Human services; reporting abuse or neglect of children**

This act creates the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Working Group for the purpose of examining the existing statutes and the Department for Children and Families' rules and policies regarding mandatory reporting of abuse and neglect of a child and recommending changes to modernize them and reflect current best practices. The Working Group is comprised of 13 members of various backgrounds and expertise related to child abuse and neglect, and the act lists additional organizations that should be consulted by the Working Group while engaged in its work. The Working Group is required to provide an interim presentation to committees of jurisdiction on or before April 1, 2027, and a final report on or before October 1, 2027. The Working Group will have the administrative, technical, and legal assistance of the Department for Children and Families.

Effective Date: May 21, 2026