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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING MANDATED REPORTERS OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 17a-101 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2008*):

4 (b) The following persons shall be mandated reporters: Any
5 physician or surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 370, any
6 resident physician or intern in any hospital in this state, whether or not
7 so licensed, any registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, medical
8 examiner, dentist, dental hygienist, psychologist, coach of intramural
9 or interscholastic athletics, school teacher, school principal, school
10 guidance counselor, school paraprofessional, school coach, social
11 worker, police officer, juvenile or adult probation officer, juvenile or
12 adult parole officer, member of the clergy, pharmacist, physical
13 therapist, optometrist, chiropractor, podiatrist, mental health
14 professional or physician assistant, any person who is a licensed or
15 certified emergency medical services provider, any person who is a
16 licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor, any person who is a

17 licensed marital and family therapist, any person who is a sexual
18 assault counselor or a battered women's counselor as defined in
19 section 52-146k, any person who is a licensed professional counselor,
20 any person paid to care for a child in any public or private facility,
21 child day care center, group day care home or family day care home
22 licensed by the state, any employee of the Department of Children and
23 Families, any employee of the Department of Public Health who is
24 responsible for the licensing of child day care centers, group day care
25 homes, family day care homes or youth camps, the Child Advocate
26 and any employee of the Office of Child Advocate and any person
27 who services or repairs personal computers.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2008	17a-101(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To require persons who service or repair personal computers to report suspected child abuse or neglect whenever in the ordinary course of their employment or profession they have reasonable cause to suspect or believe that a child under eighteen years of age has been abused or neglected, has suffered a nonaccidental physical injury or is placed at imminent risk of serious harm.

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