



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5433**

LCO No. 1757

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:  
REP. LYDDY, 106<sup>th</sup> Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT  
BY SCHOOL EMPLOYEES AND INVESTIGATIONS BY EMPLOYING  
SCHOOL DISTRICTS.**

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

1 That sections 17a-101b and 17a-101i of the general statutes be  
2 amended to (1) require a school employee who is a mandated reporter  
3 to immediately notify the Department of Children and Families by  
4 telephone when the school employee has reasonable cause to believe  
5 that a child has been abused or neglected, and (2) require the  
6 superintendent of the school district employing a certified school  
7 employee who is alleged to have abused or neglected a child to  
8 conduct an investigation into the allegations of abuse or neglect when  
9 the investigation will not impede an investigation conducted by the  
10 Commissioner of Children and Families or law enforcement.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require mandated reporters who are school employees and who  
suspect abuse or neglect of a child to immediately report their  
suspicions to the Department of Children and Families.