

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT SUMMARY

Measure: CCS for HB 2259

Principal Authors: Representative Kerbs
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General Subject Matter: Children

General Description of **Major Differences** between the current report and the version last seen and voted on in the House and the sections in which such differences are located:

√ Changes from engrossed House measure which were made in the Senate and contained in conference committee report/substitute (applies *only* to House measures):

None

√ Changes made in conference:

Section 1. Modifies the reporting requirements for suspected child abuse or neglect by requiring that every person who has reason to believe that a child is being abused or neglected report the matter to DHS “immediately” rather than “promptly.” The measure further specifies that every teacher of children under the age of 18 who believes that a child is a victim of abuse or neglect report the matter to DHS immediately and that a teacher who believes a student age 18 or older is a victim of abuse or neglect to report the matter immediately to law enforcement.

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