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Bill Analysis

HB 1797 prohibits any individual who is under investigation for heinous and shocking abuse while responsible for a child to work with children or reside in a childcare facility while the investigation is pending. Employers are also prohibited from contracting with such persons while the investigation is pending. measure also states that if the Department determines a substantiated finding of heinous and shocking abuse by a person responsible for a child, the Department shall notify the childcare facility owner and the childcare resource and referral agency within 1 business day after the finding. The facility shall also notify parents or guardians within 72 hours of the finding. The Department will also develop a process prohibiting the perpetrator from future childcare employment.

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