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INCREASE PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO REPORT CHILD ABUSE

House Bill 5009

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**Committee: Family and Children
Services**

Complete to 8-27-01

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5009 AS INTRODUCED 7-10-01

Under the Child Protection Law (MCL 722.633), a person who is required by law to report suspected child abuse or neglect and who fails to do so is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for up to 93 days, a fine of \$100, or both. House Bill 5009 would increase the penalties to 180 days' imprisonment and a \$500 fine.

House Bill 5009 (8-27-01)

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