

Legislative Analysis



CENTRAL REGISTRY

Phone: (517) 373-8080
<http://www.house.mi.gov/hfa>

Senate Bill 910 as passed by the Senate

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Hertel

House Committee: [Placed on second reading]

Senate Committee: Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety

Complete to 12-19-24

Analysis available at
<http://www.legislature.mi.gov>

SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 910 would amend the Child Protection Law to change criteria for placement on the central registry that records instances and perpetrators of confirmed serious child abuse or neglect.

Currently, the term *confirmed serious abuse or neglect* means a confirmed case of mental injury or physical injury or neglect to a child that involves any of the following:

- Battering, torture, or other serious physical harm.
- Loss or serious impairment of an organ or limb.
- Life-threatening injury.
- Murder or attempted murder.
- Serious mental harm.

The bill would add manslaughter, the death of a child, and sexual abuse to the above list.

In addition, the term *confirmed sexual abuse* now means a confirmed case that involves sexual penetration, or sexual contact, attempted sexual penetration, or assault with intent to penetrate.

The bill would add sexual abuse to the above definition.

Finally, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) must now notify in writing each person who is named in a report or record made under the act as a perpetrator of confirmed serious abuse or neglect. The bill would instead require notice to each person named as a perpetrator of child abuse or child neglect.

MCL 722.622, 722.627j, and 722.628

FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 910 would have no significant fiscal impact on DHHS or local units of government.

Legislative Analyst: Rick Yuille
Fiscal Analyst: Sydney Brown

■ This analysis was prepared by nonpartisan House Fiscal Agency staff for use by House members in their deliberations and does not constitute an official statement of legislative intent.