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# Fiscal Note

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<b>Prime Sponsors:</b>	Rep. Pugliese Sen. Kirkmeyer	<b>Bill Status:</b>	House Public & Behavioral Health
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**Bill Topic:** INFORMATION OF PERSON REPORTING CHILD ABUSE

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**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires reports of known or suspected child abuse or neglect to include the name, address, and occupation of the person making the report in all circumstances. The bill minimally impacts state and local workload beginning FY 2023-24.

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**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required.

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**Fiscal Note Status:** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

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## Summary of Legislation

Under current law, child abuse or neglect reports include the source of the report and the name, address, and occupation of the person making the report, when possible. This bill requires this information be included in all circumstances.

## State Expenditures

The Department of Human Services will have a minimal increase in workload to update procedures and rules regarding the reporting of child abuse and neglect. It will also update training for county caseworkers on the change under the bill. This work can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

## Local Government

Workload for county departments of human services will increase to the extent that caseworkers are required to seek additional information from persons making reports of child abuse or neglect and to enter this information in the child welfare data system. If the requirement that this information be

include prompts fewer people to make reports of child abuse or neglect, workload for county departments may decrease. Overall, the net impact on counties is assumed to be minimal.

## Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## State and Local Government Contacts

Child Welfare

Information Technology

Counties

Public Health and Environment

Human Services