



## Testimony 1142/1160

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Case Hearing March 24.2023

To senate committee  
Bill 1142  
1160 March 14.2023

I respect the fact that I only had 3 minutes to speak. I thank you all for listening to my testimony.  
My name is Alicia Leal and I am speaking on behalf of my 6 year old ,family and friends in Northern California.  
I live in Southwest Colorado.

My case was opened during covid 2021 in Delta County the 7th jurisdiction .  
With 5 or 6 forensic interviews of my child done by the dhs without informing my attorney or family in California. These were performed in Montrose , also Ouray county & Grand Junction, Colorado .  
I am providing my cell number  
(970)318-6685 if you have questions please feel free to contact me.

I also have a court hearing March 24 2023. I invite all to attend it is in Delta county court house.

Joel Watt of integrated diagnosed me with munchausens bi proxy and paranoid personality disorder.

I voluntarily complied, just In case I had any unresolved issues . I am unaware of That way I may address them.  
And would do anything to get my child back.

I had two mental health evaluations.  
All done by reputable and well respected psychologist.  
I was told I was missing my child and having separation anxiety. I did not have munchausens bi proxy or paranoid personality disorders.  
Dr. Brenda Holland Ph.D  
Dr. Susie Coykendall

Dr. Good of Montrose Colorado.

My child was removed from my care. Sept 2021 by intake-worker  
Melissa Zunich.  
Who told me my child doesn't ask for me or cry for me.  
Told to her by Leslie Woerner 80 yr old grand mother.

Placed with the perpetrators  
she was 5 yr old . My daughter has always showed up to our visits crying, afraid and longing for her mother. Me . I nursed her from birth until 2  
We have Loving healthy bond. Slowly I noticed her decline.  
She went from begging and crying to stay with me. To just asking can I come home. To being stoic and wishing I was a friend going to school with her so we could play forever.

I will go into detail if asked but this now triggers me in to a deep depression we're my uterus contracts and is very painful. Also my adrenals . After all this time I'm frustrated , angry at the system and the decline of my child.

And the our case been mishandled.

We Had casa visits Delta Colorado where my child and I both were scrutinized and our visits unnatural.

For months.

Our visits were only once to twice a week for 1 hour to 2 supervised.

I was told to show no emotions to not cry. Or ask her about how she's being treated .

I was blamed for coaching her.

Again not true!

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2 supervised visits 1 over nights to it all being taken away by Lies that had no facts By county attorneys

My child was also diagnosed by Joel watt incorrectly. With a form of PTSD Abigail Corless the caseworker spoke to my councilor and told her that my child a habitual liar. Ever time she spoke of occurring incidents.

I feel because of her false statements & documentation and interning for Joel watts organization at the same time being our caseworker.

Had greatly contributed to my child's ill placement and mental decline at 5,6 years old and now she will be 7 years in April 2023.

Caseworkers

Melissa Zunich

Abigail Corless

Megan?

Stephanie Sandoval

Annie Gallegos

Jodi Berhmann vested interest removed county attorney.

Jason new county attorney

And many others with in the Delta county DHS department.

I am requesting my daughter be returned to my care full sole custody For reasons that my child's rights and mine have been greatly violated. From the beginning

That my case be brought to Denver Colorado.

If you want details from from California

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Claire Hooker, MA (she/her)

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Please feel free to contact me for further information.

No advice has been given by caseworkers I have not heard from my current  
caseworker Haley Clarin  
no resolutions all very concerning.

My ex husbands family is well known in Colorado , Montana , Florida and  
Alabama. Georgia and other states.

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**House Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services**  
**03/14/2023 01:30 PM**  
**HB23-1142 Information Of Person Reporting Child Abuse**  
**Typed Text of Testimony Submitted**

<b>Name, Position, Representing</b>	<b>Typed Text of Testimony</b>
<p>Donald Lovejoy For themselves</p>	<p>I agree with this bill because DHS comes to a person with an accusation of child abuse, will take them to court and claim that they're the accuser because they have to protect the person who made the report to them. I have had to deal with this on multiple occasions on this issue, even when they knew there was no abuse. Their denying the accused the right to know their accuser violates our constitutional rights, and allows people to misuse and abuse the system to accuse innocent people of crimes that they haven't committed.</p> <p>The most recent accusation was made by a school employee which led to me being falsely accused and illegally detained for over 2 1/2 years (from 10/12/18-6/7/21) without a trial and ended up taking a plea deal under duress when my court appointed attorney told me my choices were either take their deal or sit in jail without a trial for another 6-10 years. I took their plea offer because my son had at least 10 suicide attempts between 9-12 years old and I couldn't fight from inside jail.</p> <p>This bill is only a start for fixing a broken and corrupt system, and there's more that needs to be done to hold these people accountable and protect the people and this state. At the moment there is nothing to hold these people accountable for their actions, nor to ensure that they don't abuse their powers. These agencies need to be there, but they need to do their jobs properly, and with integrity. As a honorably discharged vet who swore to defend this country and everyone's constitutional rights, it saddens me that people can abuse their positions of trust to undermine everything that our Country was founded under.</p>
<p>Leah Dyer For themselves</p>	<p>Members of the Committee</p> <p>Please support this bill because it would greatly reduce, if not eliminate false reports of child abuse/neglect. Each call of suspected abuse/neglect, is required to be investigated by the Department of Human Services. This creates work hours that leads to unfounded investigations.</p> <p>In my case, multiple cases originated from disgruntled family members or friends that wanted to cause harm or inconvenience to my family. Each of these calls were "confidential", yet when the caseworker shared the concern of the report, I knew who the reporter was. Example: It was alleged that we "locked our child in a dog crate and left him at the front door". I knew exactly who anonymously reported that, as in days prior we had friends over, our child was two</p>

	<p>years old at the time, and full of energy. Our company commented by saying, “if that was my kid, I would lock him in that dog crate and stick him by the front door”. Not hard to figure out who the caller was in this instance. Nothing came from this investigation, other than our having to open our home up to full inspection by the Department, when we had done nothing wrong as well as the caseworkers wasting time and money to investigate a false and malicious report, taking away from credible threats of abuse or neglect. This false reporter suffered NO accountability and continued to harass our family by way of false reports. There was nothing we could do about this! Too many people are aware that they can cause this type of disruption within families and be protected and that needs to stop! When that stops, I believe we will witness a sharp decline in calls coming into the child abuse hotline giving way for caseworkers as well as law enforcement to utilize their time and resource to actual calls of concern.</p> <p>The bill, as it stands, is very harmful to children and families as well as the Department and often times even law enforcement that often is called in to assist caseworkers with a stand by for protection. False reporting, in any other fashion, is seen as a crime, this should be seen as no different and there should be accountability to those whom weaponize the system with the bill as it stands.</p> <p>I implore you, as a mother that has been directly impacted by false reporters, to support this bill. It should also be seen as a criminal act to create a false report, this is an act of maliciousness with intent, such as any other crime is deemed.</p> <p>Warm Regards, Leah Dyer</p>
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