

SENATE BILL No. 1421

June 26, 2008, Introduced by Senators KAHN, JANSEN, KUIPERS, CROPSEY, HARDIMAN, GILBERT, RICHARDVILLE, PAPPAGEORGE, BROWN, VAN WOERKOM and BIRKHOLZ and referred to the Committee on Families and Human Services.

A bill to amend 1975 PA 238, entitled
"Child protection law,"
(MCL 722.621 to 722.638) by adding section 8e.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 8E. (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP AN INVESTIGATION
2 CHECKLIST TO BE USED IN EACH INVESTIGATION OF SUSPECTED ABUSE AND
3 NEGLECT AND SHALL REQUIRE THE CHECKLIST TO BE USED IN
4 INVESTIGATIONS OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT HANDLED BY THE DEPARTMENT
5 ACROSS THE STATE.

6 (2) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTIONS (3) AND (4), AN INVESTIGATION SHALL
7 NOT BE CLOSED UNTIL THE CHECKLIST DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) IS
8 COMPLETED.

9 (3) A SUPERVISOR MUST REVIEW THE COMPLETED CHECKLIST. IF THE

1 SUPERVISOR DETERMINES THAT THE INVESTIGATION COMPLIES WITH STATE
2 LAW AND DEPARTMENT POLICY, THE INVESTIGATION MAY BE CLOSED.

3 (4) IF THE SUPERVISOR DETERMINES THAT THE INVESTIGATION DOES
4 NOT COMPLY WITH EITHER STATE LAW OR DEPARTMENT POLICY, THE
5 SUPERVISOR SHALL DETERMINE THE REASON STATE LAW OR DEPARTMENT
6 POLICY WAS NOT FOLLOWED. AN INVESTIGATION THAT FALLS UNDER THIS
7 SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE CLOSED UNTIL AFTER THE LOCAL OFFICE
8 DIRECTOR HAS REVIEWED THE INVESTIGATION.

9 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect October
10 1, 2008.