CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 250 of 1982

722.602 Definitions.

Sec. 2. (1) As used in this act:

(a) "Child" means a person under 18 years of age.

(b) "Child abuse" means harm or threatened harm to a child's health or welfare by a person responsible for the child's health or welfare, which harm occurs or is threatened through nonaccidental physical or mental injury; sexual abuse, which includes a violation of section 145c of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.145c.

(c) "Local council" means an organization that meets the criteria described in section 10(a).

(d) "Neglect" means harm to a child's health or welfare by a person responsible for the child's health or welfare that occurs through negligent treatment, including the failure to provide adequate food, clothing, shelter, or medical care, though financially able to do so, or the failure to seek financial or other reasonable means to provide adequate food, clothing, shelter, or medical care.

(e) "State board" means the state child abuse and neglect prevention board created in section 3.

(f) "Prevention program" means a system of direct provision of child abuse and neglect prevention services to a child, parent, or guardian, and may include research programs related to prevention of child abuse and neglect.

(g) "Trust fund" means the children's trust fund established in the department of treasury.

History: 1982, Act 250, Imd. Eff. Sept. 29, 1982;—Am. 2018, Act 60, Eff. June 12, 2018.

Compiler's note: Former MCL 722.601 to 722.612, deriving from Ch. 42 of R.S. 1846 and pertaining to maintenance of children born out of wedlock, were repealed by Act 256 of 1964.

For transfer of state child abuse and neglect prevention board, which was transferred from the department of management and budget to the department of human services by E.R.O. No. 1992-5, compiled at MCL 722.620, from the department of human services to the department of health and human services, see E.R.O. No. 2015-1, compiled at MCL 400.227.