

1 AN ACT

2 relating to training for Department of Family and Protective  
3 Services personnel receiving reports of child abuse and neglect.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 261, Family Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 261.3016 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 261.3016. TRAINING OF PERSONNEL RECEIVING REPORTS OF  
8 ABUSE AND NEGLECT. The department shall develop, in cooperation  
9 with local law enforcement officials and the Commission on State  
10 Emergency Communications, a training program for department  
11 personnel who receive reports of abuse and neglect. The training  
12 program must include information on:

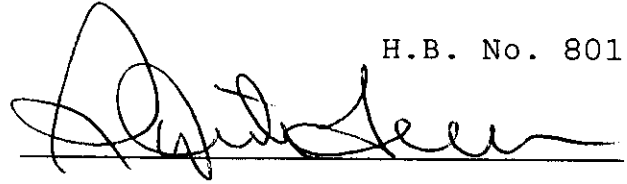
13 (1) the proper methods of screening reports of abuse  
14 and neglect; and

15 (2) ways to determine the seriousness of a report,  
16 including determining whether a report alleges circumstances that  
17 could result in the death of or serious harm to a child or whether  
18 the report is less serious in nature.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.



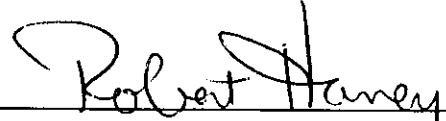
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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 801 was passed by the Senate on May 5, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.



Secretary of the Senate

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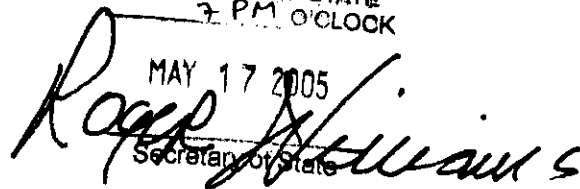
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