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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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JANUARY 23, 2017

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 23, 2017

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in protection from abuse, further  
3 providing for commencement of proceedings.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 6106 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:

8 § 6106. Commencement of proceedings.

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10 (a.3) Notification regarding child abuse investigation.--

11 (1) If the plaintiff has knowledge of a founded or  
12 indicated report of child abuse under Chapter 63 (relating to  
13 child protective services) involving the defendant, the  
14 petition shall include that information together with the  
15 name of the investigative agency.

16 (2) The petition shall include notice to the defendant  
17 that an order issued under this chapter may have an impact on

1 the defendant under Chapter 63. The court shall develop  
2 procedures to implement the provisions of this paragraph.

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4 Section 2. The addition of 23 Pa.C.S. § 6106(a.3) shall  
5 apply to:

6 (1) An action under 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 filed on or after  
7 the effective date of this section.

8 (2) A petition to modify or extend a protection from  
9 abuse order under 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 filed on or after the  
10 effective date of this section.

11 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.