

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0147

Child abuse statewide reporting center.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Steward, Cohee and Mercer and Senator(s) Esquibel, F. and Martin

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to child protective services; providing  
2 that the department of family services is required to  
3 maintain a statewide reporting center for cases of child  
4 abuse and neglect; requiring reports of abuse; and  
5 providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 14-3-206(b) is amended to read:

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11 **14-3-206. Child abuse or neglect; written report;**  
12 **statewide reporting center; documentation; costs and**  
13 **admissibility thereof.**

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15 (b) The state agency ~~may~~shall establish and maintain  
16 a statewide reporting center to receive reports of child

1 abuse or neglect on a twenty-four (24) hour, seven (7) day  
2 week, toll free telephone number. Upon establishment of the  
3 service, all reports of child abuse or neglect ~~may~~shall be  
4 made to the center which shall transfer the reports to the  
5 appropriate local child protective agency.

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7 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2009.

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