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DSS ACT ON THREATS TO CHILDREN

House Bill 4902
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Committee: Mental Health

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4902 AS INTRODUCED 6-7-89

The bill would amend the Child Protection Law to require that the Department of Social Services investigate for child abuse or neglect when it received notification of a threat to a child under the "duty to warn" law (Public Act 123 of 1989, House Bill 4237), which required mental health practitioners to take certain steps if a patient threatened physical violence against a third person. If the department determined that there was reasonable cause to believe that the child in question was abused or neglected, it would be required to take "appropriate action" under the Child Protection Law.

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