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Illinois Youth Legislature

Introduced by:

Referred to Committee: Blue 5

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Delegation: Gateway Region YMCA

A BILL

For an Act amending Chapter 325 Section 4 (a) of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, relating to Child Abuse.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

1 Section I. The following persons are required to ask children over the age of 12 annually if
2 they are being abused or neglected and immediately report to the Department when they
3 have reasonable cause to believe that a child known to them in their professional or official
4 capacities may be an abused child or a neglected child:

5 Section II. If a false report is made and there is a secondary witness, no repercussions. If
6 responsible persons do not ask and/or report abuse or neglect, they will be fined \$250 for
7 the first offense and an additional \$250 for each repeating offense. The money from the
8 fine will go towards the foster care system.

9 Section III. Child Protective Services will enforce this bill.

10 Section IV. No funding is necessary.

11 Section V. This bill will go into effect January 1, 2022 upon signature of the Youth
12 Governor of Illinois.