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Introduced by M. of A. BARCLAY, MORINELLO, J. M. GIGLIO, BYRNES, SALKA, LEMONDES, DeSTEFANO, M. MILLER -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BROWN, MANKTELOW -- read once and referred to the Committee on Children and Families

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to requiring additional investigation of certain claims of abuse or maltreatment

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 424 of the social services law, as 2 added by chapter 1039 of the laws of 1973, is amended to read as 3 follows:

4 3. upon the receipt of each written report made pursuant to this 5 title, transmit, forthwith, a copy thereof to the state central register б of child abuse and maltreatment. In addition, not later than seven days 7 after receipt of the initial report, the child protective service shall 8 send a preliminary written report of the initial investigation, including evaluation and actions taken or contemplated, to the state central 9 10 register. Follow-up reports shall be made at regular intervals thereaft-11 er in a manner and form prescribed by the commissioner by regulation to 12 the end that the state central register is kept fully informed and 13 up-to-date concerning the handling of reports; provided, however, that 14 when three or more reports are made relating to the same person relating 15 to the abuse or maltreatment of a child, including unfounded and closed 16 cases not found to be mistaken or false reports, such person shall be investigated and evaluated at least once a year for the next five years 17 18 from the date of the last report;

19 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after 20 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-21 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-22 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and 23 completed on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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