HOUSE AMENDMENT hbd-08 Bill No. CS/HB 3883 Amendment No. ____ (for drafter's use only) CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 11 Representative(s) Wise offered the following: 12 13 Amendment (with title amendment) On page 74, line 30, 14 remove from the bill: all of said line 15 16 17 and insert in lieu thereof: (10) In lieu of, or subsequent to, the administrative 18 19 procedures provided in this section, a person who knowingly 20 and willfully makes a false report of abuse, abandonment, or neglect of a child or a person who counsels another to make a 21 22 false report may be civilly liable for damages suffered, including reasonable attorney fees and costs, as a result of 23 24 the filing of the false report. If the name of the person who 25 filed the false report or counseled another to do so has not 26 been disclosed under subsection (9), the department may be named as the defendant in the suit until the court determines 27 upon an in camera inspection of the records and report that 28 29 the identity of the reporter or person who counseled another 30 to report may be disclosed for the purpose of proceeding with 31 a lawsuit for civil damages resulting from the filing of the 1

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