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By Senator Smith

14-326-04 1 A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 2 3 39.202, F.S., relating to confidentiality 4 requirements for reports and records in cases 5 of child abuse or neglect; providing that staff 6 members of a child advocacy center who are 7 providing the services of the center to the 8 child may have access to the records; providing 9 an effective date. 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 11 12 Section 1. Paragraph (q) is added to section 39.202, 13 Florida Statutes, to read: 14 39.202 Confidentiality of reports and records in cases 15 of child abuse or neglect .--16 17 (2) Except as provided in subsection (4), access to such records, excluding the name of the reporter which shall 18 19 be released only as provided in subsection (5), shall be 20 granted only to the following persons, officials, and agencies: 21 22 (q) Staff of a child advocacy center that has met the standards set forth in s. 39.3035 who are actively involved in 23 24 providing the services of the center to the child. 25 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004. 26 27 2.8 SENATE SUMMARY Amends confidentiality provisions that pertain to reports and records in cases of child abuse or neglect to provide that staff members of a child advocacy center that meets the standards set forth in s. 39.3035, F.S., who are actively involved in providing the services of the center to the child may have access to the records. 1 29 30 31

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