

Department of Human Services

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Executive Summary Department of Human Services Child-Caring Agency Licensing Investigation Quarterly Report



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To: Senate Interim Committee on Human Services and Early Childhood House Interim Committee on Human Services and Housing Daron Hill, Interim Legislative Administrator Rick Berkobien, Committee Manager

The Department of Human Services respectfully submits this Executive Summary of the attached quarterly report on incidents investigated and substantiated at child caring agencies October 1, 2016-December 31, 2016.

Senate Bill 1515, Effective April 4, 2016 following the 2016 Regular Legislative Session, directs the Department of Human Services (DHS) to submit a quarterly report to the interim legislative committees on child welfare. Section 58 of the bill prescribes an effective date of July 1, 2016 for certain parts of the bill, including Section 38 which contains the quarterly reporting provision.

The quarterly reports are for the purposes of legislative and public review and oversight of the quality and safety of child-caring agencies that are licensed, certified or authorized by the department in this state and of proctor foster homes that are certified by the child-caring agencies.

Information provided in this report contains:

(a) The name of any child-caring agency or proctor foster home where the department conducted an investigation pursuant to section 37 of this 2016 Act that resulted in a finding that the report of abuse was substantiated during that quarter;

- (b) The approximate date that the abuse occurred;
- (c) The nature of the abuse and a brief narrative description of the abuse that occurred;
- (d) Whether physical injury, sexual abuse or death resulted from the abuse; and
- (e) Corrective actions taken or ordered by the department and the outcome of the corrective actions.

Please direct questions and any additional requests for information to:

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