

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 336 Adult Protective Services by Senator Storms

Requires that the central abuse hotline, which is maintained by the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), immediately transfer reports relating to vulnerable adults to the appropriate county sheriff's office if the report is of known or suspected abuse by someone other than the vulnerable adult's relative, caregiver, or household member.

Authorizes the DCFS to file a petition to determine incapacity if the DCFS believes that the vulnerable adult lacks capacity to consent to protective services. Prohibits the DCFS from acting as guardian or providing legal counsel to the guardian once the petition is filed.

Authorizes the release of certain records to the DCFS for purposes of protective investigations under provisions relating to adult protective services. (See bill for details)