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Chapter 20. Executive Branch

Department of Children and Family Services

[Act 505](#). Children and Family Services Act ([Refs & Annos](#))

→**505/35.6. State-wide toll-free telephone number**

§ 35.6. State-wide toll-free telephone number.

(a) There shall be a State-wide, toll-free telephone number for any person, whether or not mandated by law, to report to the Inspector General of the Department, suspected misconduct, malfeasance, misfeasance, or violations of rules, procedures, or laws by Department employees, service providers, or contractors that is detrimental to the best interest of children receiving care, services, or training from or who were committed to the Department as allowed under Section 5 of this Act. Immediately upon receipt of a telephone call regarding suspected abuse or neglect of children, the Inspector General shall refer the call to the **Child Abuse** and Neglect Hotline or to the State Police as mandated by the Abused and Neglected Child **Reporting** Act [\[FN1\]](#) and Section 35.5 of this Act. A mandated reporter shall not be relieved of his or her duty to report incidents to the Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline referred to in this subsection. The Inspector General shall also establish rules and procedures for evaluating reports of suspected misconduct and violation of rules and for conducting an investigation of such reports.

(b) The Inspector General shall prepare and maintain written records from the reporting source that shall contain the following information to the extent known at the time the report is made: (1) the names and addresses of the child and the person responsible for the child's welfare; (2) the nature of the misconduct and the detriment cause to the child's best interest; (3) the names of the persons or agencies responsible for the alleged misconduct. Any investigation conducted by the Inspector General pursuant to such information shall not duplicate and shall be separate from the investigation mandated by the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. However, the Inspector General may include the results of such investigation in reports compiled under this Section. At the request of the **reporting** agent, the Inspector General shall keep the identity of the **reporting** agent strictly confidential from the operation of the Department, until the Inspector General shall determine what recommendations shall be made with regard to discipline or sanction of the Department employee, service provider, or contractor, with the exception of suspected **child abuse** or neglect which shall be handled consistent with the Abused and Neglected Child **Reporting** Act and Section 35.5 of this Act. The Department shall take whatever steps are necessary to assure that a person making a report in good faith under this Section is not adversely affected solely on the basis of having made such report.

CREDIT(S)

Laws 1963, p. 1061, § 35.6, added by [P.A. 88-7, § 10, eff. June 24, 1993](#). Amended by [P.A. 88-491, § 2, eff. Sept. 10, 1993](#); [P.A. 92-334, § 5, eff. Aug. 10, 2001](#).

[\[FN1\] 325 ILCS 5/1](#) et seq.

CROSS REFERENCES

Foster parents, rights, information and reports, see [20 ILCS 520/1-15](#).

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