

1-1 By: Campbell S.B. No. 1079
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 5, 2021; March 18, 2021, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human Services;
1-4 April 19, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 19, 2021,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Kolkhorst	X		
1-10	Perry	X		
1-11	Blanco	X		
1-12	Buckingham	X		
1-13	Campbell	X		
1-14	Hall	X		
1-15	Miles	X		
1-16	Powell	X		
1-17	Seliger	X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1079 By: Buckingham

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to monthly reports of certain activity of the Department
1-22 of Family and Protective Services.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 264.017, Family Code, is amended by
1-25 adding Subsections (f), (g), and (h) to read as follows:

1-26 (f) In addition to the other reports required by this
1-27 section, the department shall publish a monthly report containing
1-28 the following information for the preceding month:

1-29 (1) with respect to statewide intake:

1-30 (A) the number of child abuse, neglect, or
1-31 exploitation reports received sorted by the source of the report;

1-32 (B) the number of child abuse, neglect, or
1-33 exploitation reports that met the statutory definition of child
1-34 abuse, neglect, or exploitation that were referred for
1-35 investigation sorted by the type of allegation and the number of
1-36 reports that were confirmed as abuse, neglect, or exploitation
1-37 after an investigation;

1-38 (C) the average time to process an electronic
1-39 report of child abuse, neglect, or exploitation;

1-40 (D) the average hold time for calls to the
1-41 department's abuse hotline;

1-42 (E) the percentage of calls to the department's
1-43 abuse hotline that were abandoned before the caller spoke with a
1-44 person; and

1-45 (F) the number of calls received by the Texas
1-46 Youth Helpline regarding runaway youth;

1-47 (2) with respect to child protective investigations:

1-48 (A) the total number of cases opened;

1-49 (B) the total number of cases completed and
1-50 closed sorted by the manner in which the case was closed;

1-51 (C) the average number of days to close a case;

1-52 (D) the total number of cases opened at
1-53 residential child-care facilities;

1-54 (E) the total percentage of cases assigned the
1-55 highest and second highest priorities the investigations of which
1-56 were started within the time required by Section 261.301;

1-57 (F) the total number of cases for which the
1-58 determination was changed after an administrative review within 12
1-59 months of the date of the determination; and

1-60 (G) the percentage of alleged victims in

2-1 investigations that were closed without providing services for
2-2 which, within 12 months of the date the case was closed, the
2-3 department:
2-4 (i) confirmed another allegation of abuse,
2-5 neglect, or exploitation against the child; or
2-6 (ii) opened another stage for services;
2-7 (3) with respect to family-based safety services:
2-8 (A) the total number of cases opened;
2-9 (B) the total number of cases closed;
2-10 (C) the average number of days to close a case;
2-11 (D) the percentage of cases in which a child was
2-12 eventually removed from the child's home; and
2-13 (E) the percentage of cases which were closed
2-14 without providing further services for which, within 12 months of
2-15 the date the case was closed, the department:
2-16 (i) confirmed another allegation of abuse,
2-17 neglect, or exploitation against the child; or
2-18 (ii) opened another stage for services;
2-19 (4) with respect to conservatorship services:
2-20 (A) the total number of children removed from
2-21 their home;
2-22 (B) the total number of children who exited from
2-23 the managing conservatorship of the department sorted by the manner
2-24 in which the child exited;
2-25 (C) the average number of months a child remained
2-26 in the managing conservatorship of the department;
2-27 (D) the average number of placements a child has
2-28 while in the managing conservatorship of the department;
2-29 (E) the percentage of sibling groups placed with
2-30 the same foster family;
2-31 (F) the percentage of youth who have aged out of
2-32 foster care and completed the Preparation for Adult Living program;
2-33 (G) the percentage of youth who exited from the
2-34 managing conservatorship of the department to a permanent
2-35 placement;
2-36 (H) the percentage of children who are adopted
2-37 within 12 months of the date their parent's parental rights were
2-38 terminated;
2-39 (I) the percentage of children in the managing
2-40 conservatorship of the department for longer than two years who
2-41 achieve permanency;
2-42 (J) the percentage of children who are returned
2-43 to their parents and for whom, within 12 months of the date the case
2-44 was closed, the department:
2-45 (i) confirmed another allegation of abuse,
2-46 neglect, or exploitation against the child; or
2-47 (ii) opened another stage for services;
2-48 (K) the percentage of children in the managing
2-49 conservatorship of the department who are placed with a relative
2-50 caregiver; and
2-51 (L) the percentage of children in foster care
2-52 placed in each county in the state;
2-53 (5) with respect to residential child-care licensing:
2-54 (A) the percentage of investigations in which the
2-55 department made a high risk finding;
2-56 (B) the percentage of child-care facilities with
2-57 no recent violations;
2-58 (C) the number of illegal operations identified,
2-59 resolved, and pending; and
2-60 (D) the number of validated allegations of child
2-61 abuse, neglect, or exploitation in child-care facilities; and
2-62 (6) with respect to staffing in statewide intake,
2-63 residential child-care investigations, child protective
2-64 investigations, family-based safety services, and conservatorship
2-65 services:
2-66 (A) the percentage of caseworker turnover;
2-67 (B) the total number of caseworkers hired;
2-68 (C) the total number of caseworkers terminated;
2-69 (D) the average vacancy rate for caseworker

3-1 positions; and

3-2 (E) the average daily caseloads for caseworkers.

3-3 (g) The department shall provide the report required by
3-4 Subsection (f) to the legislature and shall publish the report and
3-5 make the report available electronically to the public not later
3-6 than the 30th day after the end of the month for which the report is
3-7 made.

3-8 (h) The department may contract with a third party to assist
3-9 the department with collecting, analyzing, and reporting the data
3-10 required under Subsection (f).

3-11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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