

1-1 By: Minjarez, Miller, Blanco H.B. No. 2124  
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Kolchhorst)  
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 18, 2017;  
 1-4 April 24, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Health  
 1-5 & Human Services; May 16, 2017, reported favorably by the following  
 1-6 vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 16, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to the procedures for identifying and notifying relevant  
 1-21 federal agencies about certain child abuse and neglect  
 1-22 investigations.

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

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 261.301, Family Code, is amended by  
 1-25 adding Subsection (j) to read as follows:

1-26 (j) In an investigation of a report of abuse or neglect  
 1-27 allegedly committed by a person responsible for a child's care,  
 1-28 custody, or welfare, the department shall determine whether the  
 1-29 person is an active duty member of the United States armed forces or  
 1-30 the spouse of a member on active duty. If the department determines  
 1-31 the person is an active duty member of the United States armed  
 1-32 forces or the spouse of a member on active duty, the department  
 1-33 shall notify the United States Department of Defense Family  
 1-34 Advocacy Program at the closest active duty military installation  
 1-35 of the investigation.

1-36 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section  
 1-37 261.301, Family Code, apply only to a report of abuse or neglect  
 1-38 made on or after the effective date of this Act. A report made  
 1-39 before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the  
 1-40 report was made, and the former law is continued in effect for that  
 1-41 purpose.

1-42 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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