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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to requiring the Department of Family and Protective
3 Services to notify certain individuals of changes to child abuse
4 and neglect investigation reports.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 261, Family Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 261.3081 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 261.3081. NOTICE REGARDING CHANGES MADE BY DEPARTMENT
9 TO INVESTIGATION REPORT. The department shall notify the following
10 interested parties of any edits or corrections the department makes
11 to the written report prepared by the department under Section
12 261.308:

- 13 (1) the child's parent;
14 (2) the attorney for the child's parent if represented
15 by an attorney;
16 (3) an attorney ad litem for the child appointed under
17 Chapter 107;
18 (4) a guardian ad litem for the child appointed under
19 Chapter 107, including a volunteer advocate; and
20 (5) any other person the court determines has an
21 interest in the child's welfare.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.