

HB 1691 -- REPORTING OF STUDENT ABUSE

SPONSOR: Barnes

This bill changes the laws regarding the reporting of abuse of a student. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Repeals the provisions that prohibit the Children's Division within the Department of Social Services from investigating abuse allegations that arise from spanking or use of force in schools;
- (2) Changes the term "alleged sexual misconduct" to "alleged sexual abuse" concerning a student report of the abuse; and
- (3) Repeals the provisions specifying the procedure a school district must use when there is a report of alleged sexual abuse of a student.