

HB 3038 -- THE INVESTIGATION OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF CERTAIN
ADULTS

SPONSOR: Cook

This bill establishes within the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) the "Office of Special Investigations" to assist in the investigations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of certain adults.

The office will investigate or assist in the investigation of abuse, neglect, or exploitation upon the request of a local, county, State, or Federal law enforcement agency; a county, State, or Federal prosecutor; or staff from the Division of Senior and Disability Services. Additionally, the office can coordinate with and provide assistance, expertise, or training to law enforcement agencies and multidisciplinary teams.

The bill also provides that the director of DHSS has the power to subpoena the production of books, papers, or records when necessary to investigate potential abuse, neglect, or exploitation.