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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further  
3 providing for persons required to report suspected child  
4 abuse.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 6311(a) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:  
9 § 6311. Persons required to report suspected child abuse.

10 (a) Mandated reporters.--The following adults shall make a  
11 report of suspected child abuse, subject to subsection (b), if  
12 the person has reasonable cause to suspect that a child is a  
13 victim of child abuse:

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15 (16) A person who repairs, installs or otherwise  
16 services any computer, including, but not limited to, any  
17 component part, device, memory storage or recording  
18 mechanism, auxiliary storage, recording or memory capacity or

1 any other materials relating to the operation and maintenance  
2 of a computer or computer network or system, for  
3 compensation, who has knowledge of or observes, within the  
4 scope of the person's professional capacity or employment,  
5 any image, video or computer graphic that is intentionally  
6 saved, transmitted or organized on hardware or any other  
7 media, including, but not limited to, hard drives, DVDs and  
8 flash drives, and whether directly viewable, compressed or  
9 encoded, depicting a child 17 years of age or younger or a  
10 person who reasonably appears to be a child 17 years of age  
11 or younger engaged in an act of sexually explicit conduct.  
12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.