

HOUSE BILL No. 5411

March 12, 2014, Introduced by Reps. Graves, Cotter, Kurtz, Irwin, Robinson, Jenkins, Denby, McBroom, Daley, Leonard, McMillin, Haines, Victory, Genetski and MacMaster and referred to the Committee on Families, Children, and Seniors.

A bill to amend 1975 PA 238, entitled
"Child protection law,"
by amending section 8c (MCL 722.628c), as added by 1997 PA 168.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 8c. (1) DURING AN INVESTIGATION OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE
2 OR CHILD NEGLECT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT INTERVIEW A CHILD
3 WITHOUT A PARENT OR GUARDIAN PRESENT UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT OBTAINS
4 AUTHORIZATION FROM THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OR AN ORDER FROM THE
5 COURT TO DO SO.

6 (2) During an investigation of suspected child abuse or CHILD
7 neglect, the child reported to have been abused or neglected shall
8 not be interviewed in the presence of an individual suspected to
9 have perpetrated the abuse.