



cannot include the name, street address, or other identifying information of any child.

Proposed law provides that if the department fails to submit timely to the legislature the report required by proposed law, then the legislature or either house thereof through its authorized representative may petition the 19th Judicial District Court for writs of mandamus to compel the submission of the report. Proposed law further provides that any failure to obey a writ of mandamus issued by the court may be punished by the court as contempt thereof.

Present law provides that any person who, pursuant to present law, is required to report the sexual abuse of a child, or the abuse or neglect of a child that results in the serious bodily injury, neurological impairment, or death of the child, and the person knowingly and willfully fails to so report is to be fined not more than \$3,000, imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not more than three years, or both.

Present law defines "serious bodily injury" as injury involving protracted and obvious disfigurement or protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily member, organ, or mental faculty, or substantial risk of death.

Proposed law retains present law and adds injury resulting from starvation or malnutrition to the definition of "serious bodily injury".

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 14:403(A)(1)(b); adds Ch.C. Art. 610(H))