



28 specified criteria.

29 (b) The executive director shall report, regarding his review of those cases, to the  
30 Legislative Auditor General, the Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel, and the Health and  
31 Human Services Interim Committee [~~before October 1, 1995, and~~] each [subsequent] year, on  
32 dates scheduled by the panel and committee.

33 (c) Information obtained as a result of the review shall be provided to caseworkers,  
34 supervisors, and division personnel involved in the respective cases, for purposes of education,  
35 training, and performance evaluation.

36 (3) The executive director's review and report to the Legislature shall include:

37 (a) the criteria used by the executive director, or his designee, in making the evaluation;  
38 [and]

39 (b) findings regarding whether state statutes, division policy, and legislative policy were  
40 followed in each sample case[-];

41 (c) findings regarding whether, in each sample case, referrals or cases were appropriately  
42 handled by the division and its employees, and whether children were adequately and appropriately  
43 protected and appropriate services provided to families, in accordance with the provisions of Title  
44 62A, Chapter 4a, and Title 78, Chapter 3a, Parts 3 and 4, and division policy;

45 (d) an assessment of the division's intake procedures and decisions, including an  
46 assessment of the appropriateness of decisions not to accept referrals; and

47 (e) an assessment of the appropriateness of the division's assignment of priority.

48 (4) (a) In addition to the review conducted by the executive director, the Legislative  
49 Auditor General shall audit a [~~subsample of the cases reviewed by the executive director~~] sample  
50 of child welfare referrals to and cases handled by the division, and report his findings to the Child  
51 Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel and the Health and Human Services Interim Committee  
52 [~~before December 31, 1995, and~~] each [subsequent] year, on dates scheduled by the panel and  
53 committee.

54 (b) With regard to the sample of referrals and cases, the Legislative Auditor General's  
55 report shall include:

56 (i) findings regarding whether state statutes, division policy, and legislative policy were  
57 followed by the division and its employees;

58 (ii) a determination regarding whether referrals and cases were appropriately handled by

59 the division and its employees, and whether children were adequately and appropriately protected  
60 and appropriate services provided for families, in accordance with the provisions of Title 62A,  
61 Chapter 4a, and Title 78, Chapter 3a, Parts 3 and 4, and division policy;

62 (iii) an assessment of the division's intake procedures and decisions, including an  
63 assessment of the appropriateness of decisions not to accept referrals;

64 (iv) an assessment of the appropriateness of the division's assignment of priority; and

65 (v) a determination regarding whether the department's review process is effecting  
66 beneficial change within the division and accomplishing the mission established by the Legislature  
67 and the department for that review process.

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### Legislative Review Note

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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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### Committee Note

The Health and Human Services Interim Committee recommended this bill.