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## HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1422

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 5-2-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011]:

**Chapter 18. Requirement to Notify Parent, Guardian, or Custodian of a Child**

**Sec. 1.** As used in this chapter, "child" means a person who is less than eighteen (18) years of age.

**Sec. 2.** As used in this chapter, "law enforcement agency" has the meaning set forth IC 5-2-17-2.

**Sec. 3.** Except as provided in section 4 of this chapter, if a child is named in a written report of a crime as a victim of the crime or in a written report of a crime, and the law enforcement agency that receives the report reasonably believes that the child may be a victim of a crime, the law enforcement agency that receives the report shall make a reasonable attempt to:

(1) notify the parent, guardian, or custodian of the child that the child has been named:

(A) in the report as a victim of a crime; or

(B) in the report and the law enforcement agency reasonably believes that the child may be a victim of a crime; and

(2) provide the parent, guardian, or custodian of the child

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with contact information, if available, for a victim rights advocate or a nonprofit, community, or government organization that assists victims.

**Sec. 4. A law enforcement agency is not required to notify or send a letter to the parent, guardian, or custodian of a child under section 3 of this chapter if:**

- (1) the parent, guardian, or custodian is the alleged perpetrator of the crime; or**
- (2) notification or sending a letter to the parent, guardian, or custodian would not be in the best interests of the child due to the relationship of the parent, guardian, or custodian with the alleged perpetrator of the crime.**

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