

AN ACT concerning State government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Child Death Review Team Act is amended by changing Section 45 as follows:

(20 ILCS 515/45)

Sec. 45. Child Death Investigation Task Force; pilot program. The Child Death Review Teams Executive Council may, from funds appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly to the Department and provided to the Child Death Review Teams Executive Council for this purpose, or from funds that may otherwise be provided for this purpose from other public or private sources, establish an 18-month ~~a 3-year~~ pilot program in the Southern Region of the State, as designated by the Department, under which a special Child Death Investigation Task Force will be created by the Child Death Review Teams Executive Council to develop and implement a plan for the investigation of sudden, unexpected, or unexplained deaths of children under 18 years of age occurring within that region. The plan shall include a protocol to be followed by child death review teams in the review of child deaths authorized under paragraph (a)(5) of Section 20 of this Act. The plan must include provisions for local or State law enforcement agencies,

hospitals, or coroners to promptly notify the Task Force of a death or serious life-threatening injury to a child, and for the Child Death Investigation Task Force to review the death and submit a report containing findings and recommendations to the Child Death Review Teams Executive Council, the Director, the Department of Children and Family Services Inspector General, the appropriate State's Attorney, and the State Representative and State Senator in whose legislative districts the case arose. The plan may include coordination with any investigation conducted under the Children's Advocacy Center Act. By July 1, 2011 ~~January 1, 2010~~, the Child Death Review Teams Executive Council shall submit a report to the Director, the General Assembly, and the Governor summarizing the results of the pilot program together with any recommendations for statewide implementation of a protocol for the investigation of ~~investigating~~ all sudden, unexpected, or unexplained child deaths.

(Source: P.A. 95-527, eff. 6-1-08; revised 10-30-09.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.