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DCS caseworkers; investigations; child photographs

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# SENATE BILL 1175

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 4, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTION 8-530.10; RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 8, chapter 4, article 4, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
3 is amended by adding section 8-530.10, to read:

4 8-530.10. DCS caseworkers; investigations; child photographs;  
5 safety plan

6 EACH TIME A DEPARTMENT CASEWORKER HAS CONTACT OR INTERACTS WITH A  
7 CHILD WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF A DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATION FOR AN ALLEGATION  
8 OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT, THE CASEWORKER SHALL PHOTOGRAPH THE CHILD AND  
9 MAINTAIN THE PHOTOGRAPH IN THE CHILD'S CASE FILE. WHEN MAKING A SAFETY  
10 PLAN FOR A CHILD, THE CASEWORKER SHALL REVIEW ALL PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE CHILD  
11 AND CONSIDER ANY DECLINE IN THE CHILD'S APPEARANCE OR HEALTH.

12 Sec. 2. Effective date

13 Section 8-530.10, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act, is  
14 effective from and after December 31, 2026.