## **RÉSUMÉ DIGEST**

ACT 122 (SB 433)

## 2020 Regular Session

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<u>Prior law</u> provided that any "mandatory reporter", as defined by <u>prior law</u>, who has cause to believe that a child's physical or mental health or welfare is endangered as a result of abuse or neglect, or that abuse or neglect was a contributing factor in a child's death, must report that suspected abuse to the proper authorities in accordance with prior law.

New law retains prior law and adds that, for purposes of the reporting requirements of <u>prior law</u>, the pregnancy of a child under the age of 13 years constitutes cause to consider whether the child has been abused.

Effective upon signature of the governor (June 9, 2020).

(Amends Ch.C. Art. 609(A)(1))