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DIVISION 9. PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES [10000 - 18999.98] (Division 9 added by Stats. 1965, Ch. 1784.) PART 6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS [18000 - 18999.98] (Part 6 added by Stats. 1965, Ch. 1784.)

CHAPTER 12. The Maxine Waters Child Abuse Prevention Training Act of 1984 [18975 - 18979] (Chapter 12 added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 1638, Sec. 3.)

ARTICLE 1. General Provisions and Definitions [18975 - 18975.9] (Article 1 added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 1638, Sec. 3.)

18975. This chapter is known and may be cited as the Maxine Waters Child Abuse Prevention Training Act of 1984. (Added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 1638, Sec. 3. Effective September 30, 1984.)

18975.1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

- (a) Child abuse and neglect is a severe and increasing problem in California.
- (b) School districts and center based preschools are able to provide an environment for training of children, parents, and appropriate school district staff.
- (c) Primary prevention programs in the school districts are an effective and cost-efficient method of reducing the incidence of child abuse and neglect and for promoting healthy family environments.
- (d) To ensure comprehensive and effective primary prevention education to California's center based preschools and public school children, it is the intent of the Legislature to provide adequate funding to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(Amended by Stats. 1985, Ch. 134, Sec. 1. Effective July 1, 1985.)

18975.2. It is the intention of the Legislature that primary prevention training for all children in state-funded center based preschools and public schools, kindergarten through grade 12 be encouraged by the funding of appropriate agencies to provide the training. (Amended by Stats. 1985, Ch. 134, Sec. 2. Effective July 1, 1985.)

18975.3. Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions contained in this article govern the construction of this chapter.

(Added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 1638, Sec. 3. Effective September 30, 1984.)

18975.4. "Department" means the State Department of Social Services.

(Added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 1638, Sec. 3. Effective September 30, 1984.)

18975.5. "Office" means the Office of Child Abuse Prevention in the State Department of Social Services.

(Added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 1638, Sec. 3. Effective September 30, 1984.)

18975.6. "Child abuse" means those acts defined in Section 11165 of the Penal Code.

(Added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 1638, Sec. 3. Effective September 30, 1984.)

18975.7. A "primary prevention program" means a training and educational program for children, which is directed toward all of the following:

- (a) Preventing the occurrence of child abuse, including physical abuse, sexual abuse, child neglect, and child abduction.
- (b) Reducing the general vulnerability of children, including coordination with and training for parents and school staff.

(Amended by Stats. 1985, Ch. 1072, Sec. 1.)

18975.8. "Prevention training center" means a center defined in Article 3 (commencing with Section 18977). (Added by renumbering Section 18975.9 by Stats. 1985, Ch. 134, Sec. 5. Effective July 1, 1985.)

18975.9. "Center based preschools" means state subsidized centers in which children of preschool age are provided services under the child development programs identified in paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (h) of Section 8208 of the Education Code and the State Preschool Program identified in subdivision (dd) of Section 8208 of the Education Code.

(Added by renumbering Section 18975.10 by Stats. 1985, Ch. 134, Sec. 6. Effective July 1, 1985.)