



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB5688

Introduced 2/15/2022, by Rep. Sandra Hamilton

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 505/21.6 new

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Provides that a child protective investigator is authorized to carry and use personal protection spray devices, such as mace, pepper mace, or pepper gas, for self-defense purposes while investigating a report of child abuse or neglect if the child protective investigator has been trained on the proper use of such personal protection spray devices by the Illinois State Police. Requires the Illinois State Police to establish a training program for child protective investigators on the proper use of personal protection spray devices for self-defense purposes. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to provide funding for the training program. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Children and Family Services Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 21.6 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 505/21.6 new)

7 Sec. 21.6. Child protective investigators; personal  
8 protection spray devices. A child protective investigator is  
9 authorized to carry and use personal protection spray devices,  
10 such as mace, pepper mace, or pepper gas, for self-defense  
11 purposes while investigating a report of child abuse or  
12 neglect if the child protective investigator has been trained  
13 on the proper use of such personal protection spray devices by  
14 the Illinois State Police. The Illinois State Police shall  
15 establish a training program for child protective  
16 investigators on the proper use of personal protection spray  
17 devices for self-defense purposes. The Department shall  
18 provide funding for the training program.

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