

**232.75 Sanctions.**

1. Any person, official, agency, or institution required by [this chapter](#) to report a suspected case of child abuse who knowingly and willfully fails to do so is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

2. Any person, official, agency, or institution required by [section 232.69](#) to report a suspected case of child abuse who knowingly fails to do so or who knowingly interferes with the making of such a report in violation of [section 232.70](#) is civilly liable for the damages proximately caused by such failure or interference.

3. A person who reports or causes to be reported to the department of human services false information regarding an alleged act of child abuse, knowing that the information is false or that the act did not occur, commits a simple misdemeanor.

[C75, 77, §235A.9; C79, 81, §232.75]

[86 Acts, ch 1238, §11](#); [87 Acts, ch 13, §2](#); [2001 Acts, ch 122, §6](#)

Referred to in [§232.68](#), [232.71B](#)