

# Rep. Billings: Statement on three bills approved in committee

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Madison – Today, the Assembly Children and Families Committee passed AB 1000 and the Assembly Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee passed AB 957 and AB 958 in executive sessions. Representative Billings introduced these bills as a result of her work on the Protecting Kids Task Force and she released the following statement:

“I am thrilled that three meaningful bills to support child welfare efforts and combat child abuse online have passed out of committee today. These bills were all inspired by testimony we received in the Protecting Kids Task Force and I am glad that the Assembly is working to move these bills forward so they can reach the Governor’s desk before the end of this session.”

“I am grateful for the bipartisan support that AB 957, AB 958, and AB 1000 have received. Providing the Department of Justice with the resources they need to combat online crimes against children is incredibly important, and four new positions will go a long way to protect Wisconsin’s children. Legislation to change the name of the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board to the Strengthening Families Board will help the Board connect with more parents and provide them with educational information, guidance about community resources, and raise awareness about child welfare issues. I am hopeful that these bills will receive a vote from the Assembly soon.”