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| Act 126 now requires that all public school employees who have contact with children be trained as a Mandated Reporter of Child Abuse.*"On July 5, 2012, Governor Corbett signed into law Act of July 5, 2012, P.L. 1084, No. 126 Cl. 24 Session of 2012, which amended the Public School Code of 1949 to mandate that****all school entities****(a public school, charter school, cyber charter school, private school, nonpublic school, intermediate unit or area vocational-technical school) and****independent contractors of school entities provide certain training to all employees, including contracted substitute teachers,****who have direct contact with children. Direct contact with children has been defined as "the possibility of care, supervision, guidance or control of children or routine interaction with children." The law goes into effect on January 2, 2013."*All employees are required to complete the three hour training every five years and all current employees should be trained by December of 2013. |
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