

probable violation of this section, and the primary purpose of the investigation shall be the protection of the welfare of the child or children. The investigation shall include a determination of the nature, extent and cause or causes of the abuse, if any; upon validation of the suspected abuse, the investigation shall then ascertain the identity of the person or persons responsible therefor, the name, age and condition of other children in the same household, an evaluation of the parents and the home environment, and all other facts or matters found to be pertinent. The local department of social services, and the appropriate law-enforcement agency if that agency participated in the investigation, shall render a complete written report of its findings to the local State's attorney within five (5) working days of the completion of the investigation, which shall be within ten (10) days of the receipt of the oral or written report first disclosing to the local department of social services the existence of a possible violation of this section. Upon request by the local department of social services, the local State's attorney shall assist in the investigation.

(f-1) If, in the course of the investigation conducted by the local department of social services under the provisions of subsection (e), a representative of the department has probable cause to believe that the child or children is or are in serious physical danger and that an emergency situation exists, the representative may enter the household, if the representative has been previously denied the right of entry. A law-enforcement officer shall accompany the representative, and he may use reasonable force, if necessary, to assure that the representative is able to gain entry. If the danger proves to be genuine, the representative may remove the child or children from the household temporarily without prior approval by the juvenile court.

If the child is removed from the household under the provisions of this section, the local department of social services shall have the child thoroughly examined by a physician, and the report of this examination shall be included in the report made under the provisions of subsection (e) within the time specified.

(g) Based on their findings, the local department of social services shall render the appropriate service in the best interests of the child, including, when indicated, petitioning the juvenile court in behalf of the child for the added protection to the child which either commitment or custody would provide. The local