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Tähelepanu! Tegemist on väljastpoolt asutust saabunud kirjaga. Tundmatu saatja korral palume linke ja faile mitte avada.

Dear Maria,
Thank you so much for your swift and kind reply and the materials. My colleague Liana from the Social Insurance Board, who's leading the working group on the issue, is currently on a sick leave but she'll look into the sent materials once back and will get back to you with inquiries, should we have any. We would be happy to report back on our progress, once we've agreed on key issues in the working group.

Best regards,
Anne

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Dear Anne,

Please excuse my late reply, and thank you so much for your kind reminder.
The Child Violence Investigation Act has been passed to the Norwegian Parliament (Stortinget), and is due to be debated and adopted this spring. The date for the debate is set to be March 3rd, but please be aware that there might be changes. This link will further you to the specific case: [Finn saken - stortinget.no](https://finnsaken.stortinget.no)

I have also attached the proposal itself to the act. Please feel free to come back to us any time if you have any enquiries regarding the translation or the process. We are most interested in hearing about your work on this important topic in Estonia as well.

Best regards
Maria



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Emne: RE: Question from Estonia about the Child Violence Investigation Act (BFD)

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Dear Maria-Brit,

I hope this e-mail finds you well.

Have you had a chance to look at my request below? We'd be very grateful if you could share Norwegian experience on the matter with us.

Best regards,
Anne

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Subject: RE: Question from Estonia about the Child Violence Investigation Act (BFD)

Dear Marie Brit,

I'm writing to you regarding the Child Violence Investigation Act (BFD) from the Ministry of Social Affairs of Estonia on the recommendation of Solvor Bäcklund.

Solvor referred to the act at the last week's meeting of the CoE Steering Committee on the Rights of the Child (the CDENF) where I'm representing Estonia. We're very interested to hear more about this law as we are currently working on setting up a mechanism for investigating organisation's work in cases where children have been subjected to murder, violence, abuse, or severe neglect. Would it please be possible for you to share the link to/text of the law and related relevant material (explanatory note etc) with me and my colleague Liana (cc) from the Social Insurance Board who's leading the working group on this issue? We don't speak Norwegian, unfortunately, but we could use the AI to translate the material, if that's all right by you.

I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have and share thoughts on our developments on this issue.

Best regards,

Anne

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Subject: The Child Violence Investigation Act (BFD)

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The Ministry of Children and Family affairs wants to share two news from Norway, one is about a new Act and another one is about a proposal on how to safeguard the children in the digital environment.

The Child Violence Investigation Act (BFD)

- In May 2025 the Norwegian Government proposed in a bill to the Parliament a new Act on investigations of public agencies' work in cases of murder, violence, abuse, and neglect against children It is called "The Child Violence Investigation Act).
- The law regulates the framework for a new investigation scheme established on January 2025, within the Norwegian Board of Health Supervision (*Helsetilsynet*).

The Board of Health Supervision will now have the possibility to investigate public agencies' work in cases where children have been subjected to murder, violence, abuse, or severe neglect.

- The purpose of the law is to help identify system failures and learning and improvement points in public agencies' work to prevent murder, violence, abuse, and neglect against children.
- Based on investigations of public agencies' work in individual cases, the Board of Health Supervision will prepare anonymized reports with recommendations on measures that can make public agencies better able to prevent murder, violence, abuse, and neglect against children.
- To best inform a case, the Board of Health Supervision must be given access to information from public agencies without regard to confidentiality.

- The law proposal states that the Board of Health Supervision cannot be instructed on professional matters in its work under the law.

Med vennlig hilsen

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