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Does this proposal make it harder for abuse victims to get help?

No.

Emergency protection remains fully available. Courts may issue immediate orders whenever a child or parent faces real danger.

What changes is that false or repeated bad-faith claims used to control custody or alienate children are addressed after neutral review.

Is this anti-lawyer?

No.

Lawyers remain essential. This proposal regulates process and incentives, not advocacy.

It prevents fee-driven escalation and ensures lawyers do not gain procedural advantages over self-represented parents.

Why regulate attorney fees at all?

Because unchecked litigation drains money meant for children.

The proposal sets a presumptive fee threshold, allows courts to approve higher fees when justified, and prevents fees from becoming leverage against families.

What is intentional parental alienation?

It is a pattern of conduct that knowingly and unjustifiably destroys a child's relationship with a parent.

It does not include good-faith safety actions, disagreements, one-time conflicts, or professional guidance based on real evaluation.

Will children have to testify?

No.

The proposal explicitly avoids requiring children to testify and relies on neutral professionals instead.

Does this slow down family court?

No - it speeds it up.

By reducing repeated hearings, preventing premature litigation, and resolving disputes earlier, families spend less time stuck in court.

How is privacy protected?

All public reporting is anonymized, aggregated, and barred from use as evidence in individual cases.

Transparency focuses on patterns, not people.