## (SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Increases the safety afforded to individuals who seek protection of public and private agencies involved in domestic violence prevention.

Improves the ability of agencies to address the needs of victims and their children and the delivery of services.

Upgrades the quality of treatment programs.

Enhances the ability of the justice system to respond quickly and fairly to domestic violence.

Achieves more uniformity in the decision-making processes at public and private agencies that address domestic violence by reducing inconsistencies and duplications.