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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL

OF FLORIDA

THIRD DISTRICT

JULY TERM, A.D. 2004

O.E.B., \*\*

Appellant, \*\*

vs. \*\* CASE NO. 3D04-22

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND \*\*

FAMILY SERVICES,

\*\* LOWER

Appellee. TRIBUNAL NO. 02-15665

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Opinion filed December 29, 2004.

An Appeal from the Circuit Court for Miami-Dade County, Cindy Lederman, Judge.

Herscher & Herscher, P.A., and Ilene Herscher, for appellant.

Calianne P. Lantz; Mercedes E. Scopetta, for appellee.

Before LEVY, GODERICH, and GREEN, JJ.

PER CURIAM.

Contrary to the father's argument on appeal, there is ample competent, substantial evidence in the record to support the trial court's determination that the minor children at issue

were abused and neglected by him as defined in Chapter 39.01, Fla. Stat. (2004). We therefore affirm the judgment terminating his parental rights. See F.A.F. v. Dept. of Health & Rehab. Servcs., 804 So. 2d 616 (Fla. 3d DCA 2002).

Affirmed.