
DIGEST

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HB 107 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides for corrections to provisions of the La. Revised Statutes as necessary for conformity with provisions of Acts 2013, No. 186 and Acts 2015, No. 223 relative to the Safe Haven Law (Ch.C. Art. 1149 et seq.).

Present law, Ch.C. Art. 1149 et seq., provides a mechanism whereby any parent may relinquish the care of an infant who is not more than 60 days old to the state in safety and anonymity and without fear of prosecution. Provisions of Acts 2015, No. 223, §1 designated present law as the "Safe Haven Law" by means of a short title.

Proposed law changes occurrences of "safe haven law" to read "Safe Haven Law" in present law in order to properly reflect the short title of the referenced law.

Present law, R.S. 17:81(R), indicates that the Safe Haven Law provides a mechanism whereby any parent may relinquish the care of an infant who is not more than 30 days old to the state in safety and anonymity and without fear of prosecution. Proposed law changes the age referred to in this provision from "30 days old" to "60 days old" in order to properly reflect the infant age indicated in the Safe Haven Law as enacted through Acts 2013, No. 186, §1.

Present law relative to sites designated as emergency care facilities by the Safe Haven Law provides that such sites include "pregnancy crisis centers". Proposed law corrects this reference by specifying that such sites include crisis pregnancy centers.

(Amends R.S. 14:46.4(B)(5), R.S. 17:81(R)(1) and 3996(B)(22), and Ch.C. Art 1150(2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Revise the term "pregnancy crisis center" used in present law relative to designated emergency care facilities to provide for the correct term of "crisis pregnancy center" in reference to those facilities.

2. Make technical changes.