

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing 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 existing law as the "Safe Haven Law" by means of a short title.

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

Prior law, R.S. 17:81(R), indicated 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. New 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 revised by Acts 2013, No. 186, §1.

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

Effective August 1, 2016.

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