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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILDREN.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1 SECTION 1. Section 587D-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "[§587D-2] Unharmed newborn children left at hospitals,  
4 fire stations, or police stations, or with emergency services  
5 personnel; avoidance of prosecution. A person may leave a  
6 newborn child with the personnel of a hospital, fire station, or  
7 police station, or emergency services personnel without being  
8 subject to prosecution for abandonment of a child pursuant to  
9 section 709-902; provided that:

10 (1) The newborn child was born within seventy-two hours of  
11 being left at the hospital, fire station, or police  
12 station, or with emergency services personnel as  
13 determined within a reasonable degree of medical  
14 certainty; ~~and~~

15 (2) The newborn child is left in an unharmed condition;  
16 and

17 (3) Identification of the identity of the child and the  
18 person leaving the child is presented at the time the



1 child is left at the hospital, fire station, or police  
2 station, or with emergency services personnel.

3 Identification of both the child and the person leaving the  
4 child shall be transmitted to the department of health."

5 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.  
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INTRODUCED BY:









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**Report Title:**

Children

**Description:**

Requires identification of child being left at safe haven as well as person leaving child to be presented at time the child is being left at the safe haven.

