AN ACT concerning children. 1

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act is
- 5 amended by changing Section 10 as follows:
- 6 (325 ILCS 2/10)

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- 7 Sec. 10. Definitions. In this Act:
- 8 "Abandon" has the same meaning as in the Abused and
- 9 Neglected Child Reporting Act.
- "Abused child" has the same meaning as in the Abused and 10
- 11 Neglected Child Reporting Act.
- "Child-placing agency" means a licensed public or private 12
- agency that receives a child for the purpose of placing or 13
- 14 arranging for the placement of the child in a foster family
- home or other facility for child care, apart from the custody 15
- 16 of the child's parents.
- "Department" or "DCFS" means the Illinois Department of 17
- Children and Family Services. 18
- 19 "Emergency medical facility" means a freestanding
- 20 emergency center or trauma center, as defined in the Emergency
- 21 Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act.
- 22 "Emergency medical professional" includes licensed
- physicians, and any emergency medical technician-basic, 23

- 1 emergency medical technician-intermediate, emergency medical
- 2 technician-paramedic, trauma nurse specialist, and
- 3 pre-hospital RN, as defined in the Emergency Medical Services
- 4 (EMS) Systems Act.
- 5 "Fire station" means a fire station within the State with
- 6 <u>at least one staff person</u> that is staffed with at least one
- 7 full time emergency medical professional.
- 8 "Hospital" has the same meaning as in the Hospital
- 9 Licensing Act.
- "Legal custody" means the relationship created by a court
- order in the best interest of a newborn infant that imposes on
- 12 the infant's custodian the responsibility of physical
- 13 possession of the infant, the duty to protect, train, and
- 14 discipline the infant, and the duty to provide the infant with
- food, shelter, education, and medical care, except as these are
- limited by parental rights and responsibilities.
- "Neglected child" has the same meaning as in the Abused and
- 18 Neglected Child Reporting Act.
- "Newborn infant" means a child who a licensed physician
- 20 reasonably believes is 30 $\frac{7}{2}$ days old or less at the time the
- 21 child is initially relinquished to a hospital, police station,
- fire station, or emergency medical facility, and who is not an
- abused or a neglected child.
- "Police station" means a municipal police station or a
- county sheriff's office.
- 26 "Relinquish" means to bring a newborn infant, who a

licensed physician reasonably believes is 30 7 days old or less, to a hospital, police station, fire station, or emergency medical facility and to leave the infant with personnel of the facility, if the person leaving the infant does not express an intent to return for the infant or states that he or she will not return for the infant. In the case of a mother who gives birth to an infant in a hospital, the mother's act of leaving that newborn infant at the hospital (i) without expressing an intent to return for the infant or (ii) stating that she will not return for the infant is not a "relinquishment" under this Act.

"Temporary protective custody" means the temporary
placement of a newborn infant within a hospital or other
medical facility out of the custody of the infant's parent.

15 (Source: P.A. 93-820, eff. 7-27-04; 94-941, eff. 6-26-06.)