



# SOUTH DAKOTA

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**STATUTE: ANN. LAWS § 25-5A-27**

## DETAILS

### **What are the age restrictions?**

The infant must be sixty (60) days old or younger.

### **Who can relinquish the infant?**

An unharmed newborn may be anonymously relinquished by the parent and did not express an intent to return for the child.

### **Who are South Dakota Safe Haven Providers?**

- Any on-duty staff member at a:
  - Hospital
  - Health Clinic
  - Law Enforcement Officer
  - Firefighter/EMS Provider
  - Child Welfare Agency
  - Adoption Agency

### **Is there anything else I need to know?**

- Infant must be directly handed to provider.
- Provider to immediately notify Department of Social Services.