Safe Haven: Duties of Person to Whom Child is Relinquished WLC: 0057/1

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AMENDMENT TO WLC: 0051/1

At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

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JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This draft was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council's Special Committee on State—Tribal Relations. It amends a draft relating to the collection and sharing of information regarding an American Indian child relinquished under the safe haven law.

Under current law, a person may relinquish a newborn child less than three days old to the custody of the state. The person may deliver the child to a law enforcement officer, emergency medical technician, or hospital staff member.

Under the draft, the Department of Children and Families is required to prepare a packet of materials to be given to a person who is relinquishing a child under the safe haven law. The draft requires that the person to whom a child is relinquished do the following:

- a. Make this packet of information available to the relinquishing parent.
- b. Make a reasonable effort to review the materials in the packet with the relinquishing parent and explain certain of the materials.

This amendment specifies that these two requirements apply only to hospital staff to whom a child is relinquished and only in the context of a birth that occurs in the hospital.

- 1. Page 4, lines 1 and 2: delete "a law enforcement officer, emergency medical technician, or hospital staff member who takes a child into custody under sub. (1)" and substitute "a law enforcement officer, emergency medical technician, or hospital staff member who takes a child into custody under sub. (1) following the inpatient delivery of the child in the hospital".
- Page 5, line 1: delete "a law enforcement officer, emergency medical technician, or hospital staff member who takes a child into custody under sub. (1)" and substitute "a hospital

- staff member who takes a child into custody under sub. (1) following the inpatient delivery
- 2 of the child in the hospital".

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