

Action Alert!

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Safe Haven Bill (HB 1830) Likely to be Vetoed by Governor

The Safe Haven Bill, which provides immunity from prosecution to persons who leave an unharmed newborn at a hospital, fire station, or police station, or with emergency services personnel within 72 hours of the child's birth, is now headed to the Governor's office.

This bill was passed almost unanimously by both the House and Senate and would make Hawaii the 48th state to pass such a law. Unfortunately, indications are that Governor Lingle may veto the bill.

[HB 1830 HD 2 SD 1](#) may very well save the lives of precious, helpless, defenseless newborns. By allowing birthmothers a 'safe haven' opportunity to lovingly ensure the safety and well being of their babies, we discourage the horror stories we too often read about in the news. If the life of even one newborn is saved because a birthmother is able to safely leave her baby at a hospital instead of abandoning him or her in a life threatening situation, this Legislature will have helped save a life. We must take a stand!

Action:

Please e-mail AND call the Governor today and ask her to sign HB 1830! The least Hawaii can do is protect the lives of defenseless newborn babies!

- [Click here to send an email to Governor Lingle.](#)
- Contact the Governor's office at: (808) 586-0034
- [PLEASE let us know \(by clicking here\) if you have taken action.](#)

Mahalo.

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