

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Health & Human Services.

SB24-083 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 5, line 17, after "HOSPITAL," insert  
2 "FREESTANDING EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT,".

3 Page 5, line 22, strike "HOSPITAL" and substitute "HOSPITAL,  
4 FREESTANDING EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT,".

5 Page 6, after line 4 insert:

6        "(d) "FREESTANDING EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT" MEANS A HEALTH  
7 FACILITY AS DEFINED IN AND REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED PURSUANT TO  
8 SECTION 25-1.5-114."

9 Page 7, after line 22 insert:

10        "**SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-6-401, **amend**  
11 (9)(a); and **repeal** (9)(b) as follows:

12        **18-6-401. Child abuse - definition.** (9) (a) If a parent is charged  
13 with permitting a child to be unreasonably placed in a situation that poses  
14 a threat of injury to the child's life or health, pursuant to subsection (1)(a)  
15 of this section, and the child was seventy-two hours old or younger at the  
16 time of the alleged offense, it is an affirmative defense to the charge that  
17 the parent safely, reasonably, and knowingly ~~handed~~ RELINQUISHED the  
18 child ~~over to a firefighter, as defined in section 18-3-201 (1.5), or to a~~  
19 ~~staff member who engages in the admission, care, or treatment of patients~~  
20 ~~at a hospital or community clinic emergency center, as defined in~~  
21 ~~subsection (9)(b) of this section, when the firefighter is at a fire station,~~  
22 ~~or the staff member is at a hospital or community clinic emergency center,~~  
23 ~~as defined in subsection (9)(b) of this section~~ TO AN AUTHORIZED PERSON  
24 AT AN AUTHORIZED FACILITY OR TO A NEWBORN SAFETY DEVICE LOCATED  
25 AT AN AUTHORIZED FACILITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 19-3-304.5.

26        (b) "~~Community clinic emergency center~~" means a ~~community~~  
27 ~~clinic licensed by the department of public health and environment~~  
28 ~~pursuant to section 25-3-101 (2)(a)(I)(B) that:~~

29            (I) ~~Delivers emergency services, and~~

30            (II) ~~Provides emergency care twenty-four hours per day and seven~~  
31 ~~days a week throughout the year, except if located in a rural or frontier~~  
32 ~~area that does not have the demand to support twenty-four-hour service~~  
33 ~~or only operates each year during a specified time period due to seasonal~~  
34 ~~population influx.~~

35 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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