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March 18, 2014

The Honorable Mark Ferrandino, Speaker
Colorado House of Representatives
200 East Colfax, Room 200
Denver, Colorado 80203

Dear Speaker Ferrandino:

Enclosed please find the annual legislative Abandoned Infant Report Pursuant to SB00-171 enacted at C.R.S. § 19-3-304.5 (6) report.

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If you have questions regarding this annual report, please contact the Department's Legislative Liaison, Sarah Sills, at Sarah.Sills@state.co.us or 303-866-3019.

Sincerely,

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