



COLORADO
Department of Human Services

The Honorable Bill Cadman
President of the Colorado Senate
200 East Colfax, Room 200
Denver, Colorado 80203

March 23, 2016

Dear President Cadman:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with the annual legislative Abandoned Infant Report pursuant to SB00-171 enacted at C.R.S. § 19-3-304.5 (6).

Section 19-3-304.5 requires the Department to compile county reports of abandoned infants beginning January 1, 2001. The statute defines abandoned child as one less than 72 hours old, one whose parent(s) did not express an intent to return for the child and who was abandoned at a fire station or hospital.

In calendar year 2015, three infants were reported abandoned. One infant was abandoned at a Fire Station in Jefferson County in January 2015; one abandoned at a hospital in El Paso County in August 2015; and one abandoned in a hospital in Boulder County in September 2015.

If you require further information or have additional questions regarding, please contact the Department's Legislative Liaison, Lauren Schreier, at Lauren.Schreier@state.co.us or 303-866-3019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Reggie Bicha', is written over a printed name and title.

Reggie Bicha
Executive Director

