

On June 26, 2000, Michigan enacted the Safe Delivery of Newborns law with an effective date of January 1, 2001. The law was amended in 2002, 2003, 2006, and 2010.

Act No. 349, PA 2010 (SB 1119, 2009-2010)

Amends Section 15 of the Safe Delivery of Newborns Law.

Act No. 348, PA 2010 (SB 1118, 2009-2010)

Amends Section 17 of the Safe Delivery of Newborns Law.

Act No. 488, PA 2006 (SB 1292, 2005-2006)

Amends Sections 1, 3, 7, 10, 11, 15 and 17 of the Safe Delivery of Newborns Law.

Act No. 245, PA 2003 (SB 710, 2002-2003)

Amends Section 20 of the Safe Delivery of Newborns Law.

Act No. 688, PA2002, (HB 5995, 2002-2003)

Amends Section 3 of the Safe Delivery of Newborns Law.

Act No. 232, PA 2000 (SB 1052, 1999-2000)

Added the Safe Delivery of Newborns Law, Chapter XII to the Probate Code and amended the Juvenile Code, Chapter XIIA of the Probate Code.

Act No. 233, PA 2000 (SB 1053, 1999-2000)

Amended the Penal Code to provide an affirmative defense to a child abandonment prosecution if the child is not more than 72 hours old and was surrendered to an emergency service provider.

Act No. 234, PA 2000 (SB 1187, 1999-2000)

Amends the Child Protection Law specifying that the act of surrendering a child to an emergency service provider is not a reasonable cause to suspect child abuse and/or neglect and the physician is not required to report the surrender unless there are actual signs of abuse and/or neglect. New Section 8 (16) on page 3.

Act No. 235, PA 2000 (HB 5543, 1999-2000)

Added provisions to Chapter XII of the Probate Code to establish a Safe Delivery program, which must include a toll free number and a pamphlet about the program.

Michigan Compiled Laws (712.1-712.20)

Section 712.1	Short title of chapter; definitions.
Section 712.2	Newborn surrendered to emergency service provider; court jurisdiction; effect of other provisions of law; immunity from civil action.
Section 712.2a	Closed hearings and confidential records; unauthorized dissemination of information as misdemeanor; civil liability.
Section 712.3	Conduct of emergency service provider.
Section 712.5	Transfer of newborn to hospital; physician report of abuse, neglect, or child not a newborn; notice to child placing agency.
Section 712.7	Duties of child placing agency.
Section 712.10	Custody action by biological parent; filing; hearing.
Section 712.11	Paternity or maternity testing order upon petition for custody and filing of report; presumption of paternity or maternity; summary disposition; payment of costs of testing.
Section 712.12	Repealed by Act No. 488, PA 2006.
Section 712.13	Repealed by Act No. 488, PA 2006.
Section 712.14	Determination of custody; basis; newborn's best interest; factors.
Section 712.15	Court order.
Section 712.17	Release and termination of parental rights.
Section 712.20	Safe delivery program; establishment.

For a copy of the 2000 Public Acts go to the following Web site:

<http://www.swmsystemsinc.org/legislation/PA> (type in the act # here).htm

For updates following enactment of Safe Delivery of Newborns law go to the following Web site:

www.legislature.mi.gov. Click on: Michigan Compiled Laws Search; Enter: MCL 712.1 – 712.20