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15th Instance of Safe Haven Law Occurred on October 28

Lincoln - Todd Landry, director of the Division of Children and Family Services for the Department of Health and Human Services, said a 17-year-old boy was left at BryanLGH West Hospital in Lincoln through LB 157, Nebraska's "safe haven" law, on October 28.

Landry said the boy's stepfather and mother left him at the hospital and DHHS is in the process of gathering information. The boy is from Lancaster County.

This is the 15th instance of use of LB 157 and the 23rd child left at a hospital under the law since September 13. LB 157 went into effect on July 18.

More information about Nebraska's safe haven law, as well as information about local resources for families, can be found on the Department's Website at http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/children_family_services/Pages/children_family_services_safehaven.aspx

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