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26th Instance of Safe Haven Law Occurred

Lincoln - Todd Landry, director of the Division of Children and Family Services for the Department of Health and Human Services, said a 15-year-old girl was left at St. Francis Medical Center in Grand Island, through LB 157, Nebraska's "safe haven" law.

Landry said the Hall County youth was left at the hospital by her guardian, a relative, late in the afternoon on Tuesday, November 18, and is currently in a foster home.

This is the 26th instance of use of LB 157 and the 35th 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/SafeHaven.aspx.

