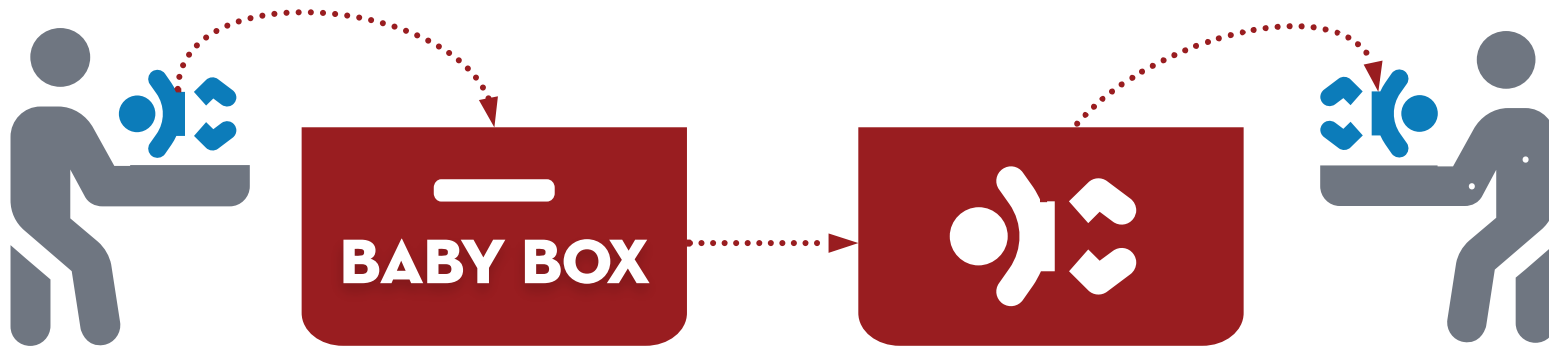


# INDIANA SB345: THIS IS TRAFFICKING



An anonymous person places the infant in a baby box. The baby must be less than 31 days old.

The box is installed in an exterior wall of a facility, such as a fire station. The formal name for a baby box is "newborn safety device."



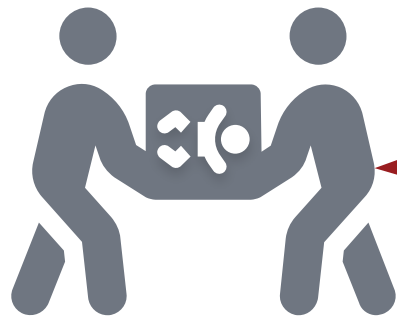
The person who left the infant in the baby box is unknown and cannot be identified.

An employee where the baby box is located retrieves the baby from the box.

## REFERRAL

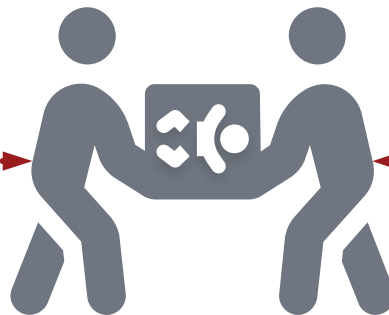


The facility contacts an adoption agency directly --- for placement of the baby for adoption.



## ADOPTION

The adoption agency initiates adoption proceedings **within 15 days** after taking custody of the baby. The court is prohibited from inquiring "about the reasons for the parents' absence or investigate why the parent chose to leave the safe haven infant."



## PLACEMENT

The adoption agency retrieves the baby from the facility, **with no notice given to any state or regulatory authorities**. The baby is then placed with a "preapproved foster care provider who intends to adopt the safe haven infant."



Adoption Agency Inc., how may I help you? Oh, Hi, Jim.



There is no restriction as to which private adoption agency the employee may contact, nor is the facility required to notify the state or any local authorities about the baby.