



General Assembly

January Session, 2007

Proposed Bill No. 5574

LCO No. 1163

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:
REP. SAWYER, 55th Dist.

**AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF
THE STATE'S SAFE HAVEN LAW.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the sum of fifty thousand dollars be appropriated to the
- 2 Department of Children and Families, from the General Fund, for the
- 3 fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, for the purpose of funding an
- 4 education campaign to be conducted through the state's media outlets
- 5 to increase awareness of the state's Safe Haven law that exempts a
- 6 parent of a newborn from criminal liability for abandonment or risk of
- 7 injury to a minor if the parent voluntarily leaves a baby with
- 8 designated hospital or police staff.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase awareness of the state's Safe Haven law.