Texas (TX)

Fam. Code § 262.302

Age: A child less than 60 days old or less may be relinquished using Safe Haven law.

Who Can Relinquish a Newborn: The newborn may be relinquished by parent and did not express an intent to return for the child.

Safe Haven Provider: Newborn may be given to staff including:
• An emergency medical services provider
• A hospital
• A licensed freestanding emergency medical care facility
• A licensed child-placing agency that:
  » Agrees to act as a designated emergency infant care provider
  » Has on staff a person who is licensed as a registered nurse or who provides emergency services and who will examine and provide emergency medical services to a child taken into possession.

Child must be handed to a staff member on duty.*

*Provider to immediately notify Department of Family and Protective Services.