



CHAPTER 7B
ARTICLE 5 - TEMPORARY CUSTODY; NONSECURE CUSTODY; CUSTODY HEARINGS

N.C.G.S. § 7B-500.

Taking a juvenile into temporary custody;
civil and criminal immunity.

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- § 7B-500(a)

Temporary custody means the taking of physical custody and providing personal care and supervision until a court order for nonsecure custody can be obtained. A juvenile may be taken into temporary custody without a court order by a law enforcement officer or a department of social services worker if there are reasonable grounds to believe that the juvenile is abused, neglected, or dependent and that the juvenile would be injured or could not be taken into custody if it were first necessary to obtain a court order. If a department of social services worker takes a juvenile into temporary custody under this section, the worker may arrange for the placement, care, supervision, and transportation of the juvenile.
- § 7B-500(b)

The process for taking into temporary custody a safely surrendered infant is as provided under Article 5A of this Subchapter.
- § 7B-500(c)

Repealed by Session Laws 2023-14, s. 6.2(d), effective October 1, 2023, and applicable to infants safely surrendered on or after that date.
- § 7B-500(d)

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01	1979	c. 815, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1985	c. 408, s. 1	AMENDED
03	1985	1985 (Reg. Sess., 1986), c. 863, s. 1	AMENDED
04	1994	Ex. Sess., c. 27, s. 2	AMENDED
05	1995	c. 391, s. 1	AMENDED
06	1997	S.L. 1997-443, s. 11A.118(a)	AMENDED
07	1998	S.L. 1998-202, s. 6	AMENDED
08	1999	S.L. 1999-456, s. 60	AMENDED
09	2001	S.L. 2001-291, s. 2	AMENDED
10	2021	S.L. 2021-182, s. 3(a)	AMENDED
11	2023	S.L. 2023-14, s. 6.2(d)	AMENDED

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