Objective C static code analysis: "return" statements should not occur in "finally" blocks

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Returning from a finally block suppresses the propagation of any unhandled exception which was thrown in the try or catch block.

Noncompliant Code Example

```
void openResource() {
    @throw [NSException
exceptionWithName:@"FileNotFoundException" reason:@"File Not
Found on System" userInfo:nil];
}

void fun() {
    @try {
        openResource();
    }
    @finally {
        closeResource();
        return; // Noncompliant - prevents the exception from being
propagated
    }
}
```

Compliant Solution

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See

- ullet MITRE, CWE-584 Return Inside Finally Block
- CERT, ERR04-J. Do not complete abruptly from a finally block

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