1	State of Arkansas	*As Engrossed: S1/29/19 H2/13/19*
2	92nd General Assembly	A Bill
3	Regular Session, 2019	SENATE BILL 91
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5	By: Senator A. Clark	
6	*By: Representative Sullivan*	

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RESUMPTION OF

10 SERVICES FOR CERTAIN PARENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE

15 RESUMPTION OF SERVICES FOR CERTAIN

16 PARENTS.

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-27-369(a), concerning motions to resume*

22 *services for a parent whose parental rights were previously terminated, is*

23 *amended to read as follows:*

24 *(a) The Department of Human Services or an attorney ad litem may file*

25 *a motion to resume services for a parent whose parental rights were*

26 *previously terminated under this subchapter if:*

27 (1) The child:

28 (A) ~~Does not have a legal parent~~ <u>Is currently in the</u>

29 <u>custody of the department</u>;

30 (B) Is not in an adoptive placement, a pre-adoptive

31 placement, or under another permanent placement and there is some evidence

32 that the juvenile is not likely to achieve permanency within a reasonable

33 period of time as viewed from the child's perspective; or

34 (C) Was previously adopted, appointed a permanent

35 guardian, or placed in the permanent custody of another individual and the

36 adoption, guardianship, or custodial placement was disrupted or otherwise

1   dissolved; and

2   (2)(A) The order terminating the parental rights of the parent

3   who is the subject of a motion filed under this section was entered at least

4   three (3) years before the date on which the motion to resume services was

5   filed.

6   (B)   The three-year waiting period may be waived if it is

7   in the best interest of the child.

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9   /s/A. Clark

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