

Hall of the House of Representatives
84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003
Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1484

"TO CONFORM THE GRANDPARENTS' VISITATION STATUTE WITH RECENT
ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT AND UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT DECISIONS."

Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 1484.

Amend House Bill No. 1484 as engrossed, 2/20/03:

Add Representative Thomason as a cosponsor to the bill

AND

Add Senator T. Smith as a cosponsor to the bill

AND

Page 4, delete lines 7 through 9 and substitute the following:

“(2)(A) If the court grants visitation to the petitioner under this section, then the visitation shall be exercised in a manner consistent with all orders regarding custody of or visitation with the child unless the court makes a specific finding otherwise.

(B) If the court finds that the petitioner’s visitation should be restricted or limited in any way, then the court shall include the restrictions or limitations in the order granting visitation.”

AND

Page 4, delete line 11 and substitute the following:

“section is a final order for purposes of appeal.

(4) After an order granting or denying visitation has been issued under this section, the custodian or petitioner may petition the court for the following under this section:

(A) Contempt proceedings if one (1) party to the order fails to comply with the order;

(B) To address the issue of visitation based on a change in circumstance; or

(C) To address the need to add or modify restrictions or limitations to visitation previously awarded under this section.”

AND



Page 5, delete lines 1 through 2 and substitute the following:

“(1) “Child” means a minor under the age of eighteen (18) who is:”

AND

Page 5, delete line 22 and substitute the following:

“(2)(A) If the court grants visitation to the petitioner under this section, then the visitation shall be exercised in a manner consistent with all orders regarding custody of or visitation with the child unless the court makes a specific finding otherwise.

(B) If the court finds that the petitioner’s visitation should be restricted or limited in any way, then the court shall include the restrictions or limitations in the order granting visitation.”

AND

Page 5, delete line 24 and substitute the following:

“section is a final order for purposes of appeal.

(4) After an order granting or denying visitation has been issued under this section, a party may petition the court for the following under this section:

(A) Contempt proceedings if one party to the order fails to comply with the order;

(B) To address the issue of visitation based on a change in circumstance; or

(C) To address the need to add or modify restrictions or limitations to visitation previously awarded under this section.”

AND

Page 5, delete line 30 and substitute the following:

“the law; that over fifty-five thousand (55,000) grandparents are raising their grandchildren in”

The Amendment was read _____
By: Representative Judy
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Chief Clerk