

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 2431**

"AN ACT TO REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT BEFORE PERFORMING AN ABORTION  
ON A MINOR."

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2431.**

Amend House Bill No. 2431 as engrossed, H4/2/03:

Page 2, delete line 18 and substitute:  
"20-16-803. Manner of ~~notice~~ consent."

AND

Page 5, delete Section 7 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 20-16-808 is amended to read as follows:  
20-16-808. When ~~notification~~ consent of parent not required.

~~Notification~~ Consent under this subchapter shall not be required to be  
~~given to a parent~~ obtained from a parent if:

(1) ~~The~~ Both of the parent's whereabouts are unknown; or

(2)(A) ~~The parent has not been in contact with the minor's~~  
~~custodial parent or the minor for at least one (1) year; or~~ If the minor has  
only one (1) living parent and the minor states by affidavit that the parent  
has committed incest with the minor, has raped the minor, or has otherwise  
sexually abused the minor.

(B) The attending physician shall report the abuse as  
provided under § 12-12-504 and § 12-12-507.

(3) ~~If the minor states by affidavit that the parent has~~  
~~committed incest with the minor or raped the minor or otherwise physically or~~  
~~sexually abused the minor.~~

SECTION 8. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 16, Subchapter 8, is  
amended to as a new section to read as follows:

20-16-809. When consent of guardian not required.

Consent under this subchapter shall not be required to be obtained from  
a guardian or custodian if the guardianship or custody order has expired or  
is otherwise no longer in effect."



The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

By: Senator Critcher  
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