

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2208

5 By: Representatives Martin, Dees
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 TO CLARIFY THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF SERVICE
10 PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INFORMATION FOR
11 CHILDREN PLACED IN AN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO CLARIFY THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF
16 SERVICE PROVIDERS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 9, Chapter 27, Subchapter 3 is amended
21 to add an additional section to read as follows:

22 9-27-354. Progress reports on juveniles.

23 (a)(1) The court may order progress reports from the service provider
24 whenever a juvenile is placed out of home and in a setting other than a
25 department foster home.

26 (2) The order shall set forth the schedule for the progress
27 reports and shall identify the service provider responsible for submitting
28 the progress report.

29 (3) The service provider shall be provided a copy of the written
30 court order by certified mail, restricted delivery or by process server.

31 (4) Failure to follow the order of the court shall subject the
32 service provider to contempt sanctions of the court.

33 (b) The progress report shall include, but is not limited to:

34 (1) Reason for admission;

35 (2) Projected length of stay;

36 (3) Identified goals and objectives to be addressed during



1 placement;

2 (4) Progress of the child in meeting goals and objectives;

3 (5) Barriers to progress;

4 (6) Significant behavioral disruptions and response of provider;

5 and

6 (7) Recommendations upon the child's release.

7 (c) The service provider shall immediately report any incidents
8 concerning the juvenile's health or safety to:

9 (1) The juvenile's attorney or attorney ad litem; and

10 (2) The custodian of the juvenile.

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