

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
2 81st General Assembly
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A Bill

ACT 730 OF 1997
HOUSE BILL 1831

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5 By: Representative DeLay

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PARENT OF MINOR CHILDREN TO
10 PETITION THE COURT FOR A CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK OF THE
11 OTHER PARENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

13 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PARENT OF MINOR
14 CHILDREN TO PETITION THE COURT FOR A
15 CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK OF THE OTHER
16 PARENT."

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

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21 SECTION 1. Any parent of a minor child in a chancery or probate court
22 case may petition the court to order a criminal records check of the other
23 parent of a minor child. If the court determines there is reasonable cause to
24 suspect that the other parent may have engaged in criminal conduct which would
25 be relevant to the issue of custody of the minor child or visitation
26 privileges, the court may order the sheriff of the county in which the
27 petition was filed to conduct a criminal records check through the Arkansas
28 Crime Information Center. The court shall review the results of the criminal
29 records check, and if it deems appropriate, provide the results to the
30 petitioning parent. Any costs associated with conducting a criminal records
31 check shall be borne by the petitioning party.

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33 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
34 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
35 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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1 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
2 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
3 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
4 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
5 act are declared to be severable.

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7 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
8 hereby repealed.

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