

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.

Act 271 of the Regular Session

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1008

5 By: Representative R. Green
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 *AN ACT ALLOWING GRANDPARENTS AND GREAT-*
10 *GRANDPARENTS VISITATION TO OCCUR WITHOUT REGARD*
11 *TO WHICH PARENT HAS PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF THE*
12 *CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*
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14 **Subtitle**

15 *ALLOWING GRANDPARENTS AND GREAT-*
16 *GRANDPARENTS VISITATION TO OCCUR WITHOUT*
17 *REGARD TO WHICH PARENT HAS PHYSICAL*
18 *CUSTODY OF THE CHILD.*
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-13-103(f), concerning grandparents*
24 *visitation rights, is amended to read as follows:*

25 *(f)(1) An order granting or denying visitation rights to grandparents*
26 *and great-grandparents shall be in writing and shall state any and all*
27 *factors considered by the court in its decision to grant or deny visitation*
28 *under this section.*

29 *(2)(A) If the court grants visitation to the petitioner or*
30 *petitioners, the visits may occur without regard to which parent has physical*
31 *custody of the child.*

32 *(B) Visits with a paternal grandparent or great-*
33 *grandparent may occur even when the child is in the custody of the mother,*
34 *and visits with a maternal grandparent or great-grandparent may occur even*
35 *when the child is in the custody of the father.*



