

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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2 87th General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1901

5 By: Representatives Slinkard, Carter, Harrelson, Hobbs
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO STOP CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS
10 FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE HAD THEIR PARENTAL RIGHTS
11 TERMINATED BY THE MINOR CHILD'S ADOPTION BY
12 ANOTHER PERSON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT REGARDING THE TERMINATION OF
15 CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-14-237(a), concerning the termination of
22 child support payments, is amended to read as follows:

23 (a)(1) Unless a court order for child support specifically extends
24 child support after these circumstances, an obligor's duty to pay child
25 support for a child shall automatically terminate by operation of law:

26 (A)(i) When the child reaches eighteen (18) years of age
27 unless the child is still attending high school.

28 (ii) If the child is still attending high school,
29 upon the child's high school graduation or the end of the school year after
30 the child reaches nineteen (19) years of age, whichever is earlier;

31 (B) When the child:

32 (i) Is emancipated by a court of competent
33 jurisdiction;

34 (ii) Marries; or

35 (iii) Dies; ~~or~~

36 (C) Upon the marriage of the parents of the child to each



1 other; or

2 (D) Upon the entry of a final decree of adoption or an
3 interlocutory decree of adoption that has become final under § 9-9-201 et
4 seq. and thereby relieves the obligor of all parental rights and
5 responsibilities.

6 (2) However, any unpaid child support obligations owed under a
7 judgment or in arrearage pursuant to a child support order shall be satisfied
8 pursuant to § 9-14-235.

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