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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1359

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5 By: Representative Barker

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELEASE OF
9 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION UNDER THE CHILD WELFARE
10 AGENCY LICENSING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELEASE
15 OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION UNDER THE
16 CHILD WELFARE AGENCY LICENSING ACT.

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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 § 9-28-407(h)(1)(H)(i), concerning licenses
22 required and issued under the Child Welfare Agency Licensing Act, is amended
23 to read as follows:

24 (H)(i) To foster parents, the foster care record for
25 ~~foster~~ children in foster care currently placed in their home.

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27 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 9-28-407(h)(1), concerning licenses
28 required and issued under the Child Welfare Agency Licensing Act, is amended
29 to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

30 (Z)(i) To a currently or previously licensed foster
31 parent.

32 (ii) A foster parent shall only receive records:

33 (a) Concerning a child who was previously
34 placed in the home of the foster parent and that are relevant to the period
35 of time in which the child was placed in the home of the foster parent; and

36 (b) For which the foster parent has a



1 legitimate need as determined by the licensee or department.

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