

Hall of the House of Representatives
83rd General Assembly - Regular Session, 2001
Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1047

"TO PERMIT GRANDPARENTS WHO HAVE HAD CONTINUOUS CUSTODY OF
GRANDCHILDREN TO BECOME A PARTY TO CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDINGS."

Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 1047.

Amend House Bill No. 1047 as originally introduced:

Add Representative T. Steele as a cosponsor to the bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 11 and substitute "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 9-13-101 TO PROVIDE THAT GRANDPARENTS WHO HAVE HAD CONTINUOUS CUSTODY OF GRANDCHILDREN SHALL RECEIVE NOTICE AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD IN CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDINGS AND DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 15 through 18 and substitute:
"TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 9-13-101 TO PROVIDE THAT GRANDPARENTS WHO HAVE HAD CONTINUOUS CUSTODY OF GRANDCHILDREN SHALL RECEIVE NOTICE AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD IN CHILD PROCEEDING AND DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT PROCEEDINGS. "

AND

Page 1, delete lines 25 and 26 and substitute:
"(a)(1)(A) A grandparent shall be entitled to notice and shall be granted an opportunity to be heard in any child custody proceeding involving the grandchild who is twelve (12) months or younger when:"

AND

Page 1, line 27, delete "with a" and substitute "with this"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 34 and 35 and substitute:
"(B) A grandparent shall be entitled to notice and shall be granted an

opportunity to be heard in any child custody proceeding involving the grandchild who is twelve (12) months or older when"

AND

Page 1, line 36, delete "with a" and substitute "with this"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 20 through 23 and substitute:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 9-27-325 is amended to add the following new subsection:

(1)(1) A grandparent shall be entitled to notice and shall be granted an opportunity to be heard in any dependency-neglect proceeding involving the grandchild who is twelve (12) months or younger when:

(A) A grandchild resides with this grandparent for at least six (6) continuous months prior to its first birthday;

(B) The grandparent was the primary caregiver for and financial supporter of the grandchild during the time the grandchild resided with the grandparent; and

(C) The continuous custody occurred within one (1) year of the date the child custody proceeding was initiated.

(2) A grandparent shall be entitled to notice and shall be granted an opportunity to be heard in any dependency-neglect proceeding involving the grandchild who is twelve (12) months or older when:

(A) A grandchild resides with this grandparent for at least one (1) continuous year regardless of age;

(B) The grandparent was the primary caregiver for and financial supporter of the grandchild during the time the grandchild resided with the grandparent;

(C) The continuous custody occurred within one (1) year of the date the child custody proceeding was initiated."

The Amendment was read _____
By: Representative Judy _____
MG/VJF _____
VJF592 _____ Chief Clerk