ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 330

"TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE FAST-TRACKED ADOPTION OF GARRETT'S

LAW BABIES."

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 330.

Amend Senate Bill No. 330 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 8 and substitute:

"(d)(1)(A) If the proposed adoptive family has not completed the adoptive home study process, including the required criminal background check, the newborn shall be placed in a foster home that is licensed and approved under § 9-28-401 et seq. or in the custody of the department. (B) The newborn shall remain in a licensed or approved foster home or in the custody of the department until the required home study and criminal background checks are completed on the proposed adoptive parents."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 16 through 23 and substitute:

"(e)(1)(A) If the mother wishes for a relative to adopt her newborn, the newborn shall be placed in a foster home that is licensed and approved under § 9-28-401 et seq. or in the custody of the department unless the relative has a completed approved adoptive home study at the time placement is needed.

(B) If a home study has not been completed on the relative, an adoptive home study shall be completed on the proposed relative if the proposed relative is an appropriate placement for the newborn."



The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and ______ By: Senator Bledsoe JSE/JSE - 02-13-2009 11:21 JSE119