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SENATE BILL 88

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6 By: Senator A. Clark

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8 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PETITIONS TO
10 REINSTATE PARENTAL RIGHTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

12 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PETITIONS TO
13 REINSTATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.
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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 § 9-27-370(a), concerning who may file a
22 petition to reinstate the parental rights of a parent, is amended to read as
23 follows:

24 (a) The Department of Human Services ~~or~~, an attorney ad litem, or an
25 attorney contracted with the Commission for Parent Counsel may file a
26 petition to reinstate the parental rights of a parent whose parental rights
27 have been terminated under this subchapter if the:

28 (1) Court has granted a motion to resume services under § 9-27-
29 369;

30 (2) Services have continued for at least one hundred eighty
31 (180) days following the date on which the court entered the order granting a
32 motion to resume services under § 9-27-369; and

33 (3) Parent for whom reinstatement of parental rights is sought
34 has substantially complied with the orders of the court and with the case
35 plan developed under § 9-27-369.
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1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 9-27-370(c)(3), concerning persons who must
2 be served with a petition to reinstate the parental rights of a parent, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (3) Parent who is the subject of the petition unless the
5 petition is filed by an attorney contracted with the Commission for Parent
6 Counsel;

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9 Referred requested by the Arkansas Senate

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