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SENATE BILL 360

By: Senator Gordon

"AN ACT TO DETERMINE WHETHER A CHILD IS REPORTED MISSING OR
ABDUCTED PRIOR TO MAKING CUSTODY DECISIONS IN CERTAIN CASES;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Application. This Act shall apply to child custody proceedings where either parent resides at an unknown location and consequently can not be notified of the pendency of the proceeding.

SECTION 2. Inquiry concerning status of a child. In all such custody proceedings, the Court shall, prior to granting or modifying a custody judgment, inquire with the Arkansas Crime Information Center and the National Crime Information Center to determine whether the child or children in question have been reported as missing or as a victim(s) of a parental or non-custodial abduction. Such inquiry may be made directly to the Arkansas Crime Information Center or to a local law enforcement agency having access to an Arkansas Crime Information Center computer terminal.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

