

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1535

5 By: Representatives Madison, Wallis, and Willems  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COURT TO SUSPEND THE DRIVER'S  
10 LICENSE OR LICENSE PLATE, OR OCCUPATIONAL, PROFESSIONAL,  
11 OR BUSINESS LICENSE OF CUSTODIAL PARENTS UNLAWFULLY  
12 WITHHOLDING VISITATION RIGHTS TO CHILDREN FROM  
13 NONCUSTODIAL PARENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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## Subtitle

15 "TO AUTHORIZE THE COURT TO SUSPEND  
16 CERTAIN LICENSES OF CUSTODIAL PARENTS  
17 WHO UNLAWFULLY WITHHOLD VISITATION  
18 RIGHTS TO CHILDREN FROM NONCUSTODIAL  
19 PARENTS."  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Title 9, Chapter 13, Subchapter 1 of the Arkansas Code  
25 Annotated is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

26 "9-13-105. Suspension of license for withholding parental visitation  
27 rights.

28 (a) As used in this section:

29 (1) License means an Arkansas driver's license issued pursuant  
30 to §§ 27-16-101 et seq., or an occupational, professional, or business license  
31 regulated under Title 17 of this Code, and all other licenses regulated under  
32 Titles 2-6, 8, 9, 14, 15, 20, 22, 23, and 27 of this Code.

33 (2) Permanent license plate means the license plate, issued by  
34 the Department of Finance and Administration or its duly authorized agents.

35 (b) Upon petition by a person properly before it, a chancery court, or  
36 juvenile division thereof, of this state may suspend the license or permanent

1 license plate of a custodial parent who, without good cause, interferes with a  
2 noncustodial parent's right of visitation with a minor child, who is entitled  
3 by a court decree or order to the right of visitation with the child."  
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5 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
6 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
7 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.  
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9 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
10 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
11 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
12 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
13 act are declared to be severable.  
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15 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
16 hereby repealed.

17 /s/Rep. Madison et al  
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