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A Bill

SENATE BILL 825

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5 By: Senator Harriman
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE A NOTARIZED AFFIDAVIT TO REGISTER
10 IN THE PUTATIVE FATHER REGISTRY; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES. "

Subtitle

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15 TO REGISTER IN THE PUTATIVE FATHER
16 REGISTRY. "

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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 20-18-702(b) and (c) pertaining to the
22 putative father registry are amended to read as follows.

23 "(b) Upon receipt of a written statement, signed and acknowledged by
24 the registrant before a notary public, ~~The~~ the putative father registry shall
25 record the following information:

26 (1) The name, address, and social security number of any person
27 who claims to be the father of a child for whom paternity is not presumed or
28 has not been established by a court;

29 (2) The name, last known address, and social security number, if
30 known, of the mother of the child;

31 (3) The name of the child, if born, and the location and date of
32 birth, if known.

33 (4) The Department of Health shall provide a form to be used by
34 the registrant. There shall be no fee required of the registrant to file the
35 affidavit.

36 (c) The registry may accept the information prior to the birth of the

1 child, or at any time prior to the filing of a petition for adoption.

2 (d) The registry shall forward a copy of the information to the mother
3 as notification that the person has registered with the putative father
4 registry.

5 (e) The registry shall maintain cross-reference indices by the name of
6 the mother and the name of the child, if known.”

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8 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
9 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
10 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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12 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
13 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
14 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
15 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
16 act are declared to be severable.

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18 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
19 hereby repealed.

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