

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1824

5 By: Representative Dees
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CLARIFY JURISDICTION FOR ADOPTION AND
10 GUARDIANSHIP OF MINORS WHEN THE INITIAL CASE IS FILED
11 UNDER THE JUVENILE CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 ADOPTION AND GUARDIANSHIP OF MINORS WHEN
15 THE INITIAL CASE IS FILED UNDER THE
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 9-9-205 (a) is amended to add a new
23 subdivision to read as follows:

24 (3) If the juvenile is the subject matter of an open case
25 filed under the Arkansas Juvenile Code, the adoption petition shall be filed
26 in that case.
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28 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated 28-65-107 is amended to add a new
29 subdivision to read as follows:

30 28-65-107. Jurisdiction of Courts.

31 (a) The jurisdiction of the probate court over all matters of
32 guardianship, other than guardianship ad litem in other courts, shall be
33 exclusive, subject to the right of appeal.

34 (b) The provisions of this chapter shall not affect the jurisdiction
35 of any court authorized to remove disabilities of minority.

36 (c) The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to affect

1 the jurisdiction or authority now vested in juvenile courts except in the
2 matter of appointment of guardians.

3 (d) If the juvenile is the subject matter of an open case filed under
4 the Arkansas Juvenile Code, the guardianship petition shall be filed in that
5 case.

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