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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By: Representative Key

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING YOUTH SERVICES;
TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR JUVENILE COMMITMENT;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT TO AMEND THE YOUTH SERVICES ACT.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-28-206 is amended to read as follows:
(a) When a circuit court or any other court having jurisdiction of a juvenile under eighteen (18) years of age, finds a juvenile to be delinquent or to have committed a crime as defined by the laws of this state, the court may commit the juvenile to the Division of Youth Services of the Department of Human Services for an indeterminate period not to exceed the twenty-first birthday of the juvenile.
(b) No court may commit a juvenile found solely in criminal contempt to the Division of Youth Services.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 9-28-208(a), concerning orders of commitment, is amended to read as follows:
(a)(l) An order of commitment to the Division of Youth Services of the Department of Human Services shall state that the juvenile is found to be delinquent or to have committed a crime and shall state information regarding the underlying facts of the adjudication.
(2) No court may commit a juvenile found solely in criminal contempt to the Division of Youth Services.

