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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1407

By: Representative Key

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW REGARDING THE PUTATIVE
FATHER REGISTRY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW REGARDING THE
PUTATIVE FATHER REGISTRY.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-18-702(a), concerning the putative father registry, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) There is ~~hereby~~ established in the Department of Health a Putative Father Registry.

(2) The purpose of the registry is to entitle putative fathers to notice of legal proceedings pertaining to the child for whom the putative father has registered.

(3) A putative father shall establish a significant custodial, personal, or financial relationship with the child before the putative father's rights attach.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-18-702, concerning the putative father registry, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(f) The department shall note the date and time of receipt on the written statement signed and acknowledged by the registrant.

