

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 2022

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5 By: Representative Overbey
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VISITATION
10 RIGHTS OF A PATERNAL GRANDPARENT; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 RIGHTS OF A PATERNAL GRANDPARENT.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-13-103(b), concerning a grandparent's
21 ability to petition a court for visitation, is amended to read as follows:

22 (b) A grandparent or great-grandparent may petition a circuit court of
23 this state for reasonable visitation rights with respect to his or her
24 grandchild or grandchildren or great-grandchild or great-grandchildren under
25 this section if:

26 (1) The marital relationship between the parents of the child
27 has been severed by death, divorce, or legal separation;

28 (2) The child is illegitimate and the petitioner is a maternal
29 grandparent of the illegitimate child; or

30 (3) The child is illegitimate, the petitioner is a paternal
31 grandparent of the illegitimate child, and:

32 (A) paternity Paternity has been established by a court of
33 competent jurisdiction; or

34 (B) Paternity has been recognized by the Social Security
35 Administration for the purpose of the payment of survivor benefits to the
36 illegitimate child from the account of the deceased paternal parent.

