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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1571

5 By: Representative E. Armstrong
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIVISION OF
9 YOUTH SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES;
10 TO RELEASE AN EXTENDED JUVENILE JURISDICTION OFFENDER
11 UPON REACHING THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-27-507(e), concerning extended juvenile
26 jurisdiction court review hearings, is amended to add a new subdivision as
27 follows:

28 (5)(A) A juvenile committed to the Division of Youth Services
29 under extended juvenile jurisdiction shall not remain in the physical custody
30 of the division beyond the date of his or her twenty-first birthday, even if
31 the court fails to provide a hearing before the release.

32 (B) If a court order imposing an adult sentence or
33 granting the absolute release of a juvenile is not entered on or before the
34 juvenile's twenty-first birthday, the division shall release the juvenile
35 from its custody.

36 (C) Nothing in this subdivision (e)(5) of this section



1 shall limit the court's jurisdiction to impose a period of probation on
2 offenders adjudicated delinquent for capital murder, § 5-10-101, or murder in
3 the first degree, § 5-10-102, as required by subdivision (b)(2)(D) of this
4 section.

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