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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1622

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE APPLICATION
10 REQUIERMENTS FOR A MINOR APPLYING FOR A DRIVER'S
11 LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE
16 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR A MINOR
17 APPLYING FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE.

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

22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-16-702(a), concerning the application of
23 a minor for an instruction permit, learner's license, or intermediate
24 driver's license, is amended to read as follows:

25 (a)(1)(A) The original application of any person under eighteen (18)
26 years of age applying to take the driver's license examination or applying
27 for an instruction permit, a learner's license, an intermediate driver's
28 license, or a motor-driven cycle or motorcycle license, shall be signed and
29 verified before a notary public or other person authorized to administer
30 oaths by law by either the father or mother of the applicant, if either is
31 living and has custody.

32 (B) In the event that neither parent is living or has
33 custody, then the application shall be signed by the person or guardian
34 having custody or by an employer of the minor.

35 (C) In the event that there is no guardian or employer,
36 then the application shall be signed by any other responsible person who is



1 willing to assume the obligations imposed under this subchapter upon a person
2 signing the application of a minor.

3 (D) For a person under eighteen (18) years of age in the
4 custody of the Department of Human Services, the Director of the Division of
5 Children and Family Services of the Department of Human Services or his or
6 her designee may authorize an employee of the department or any foster parent
7 to sign the application.

8 (2) For purposes of this section, an oath required under
9 subsection (a)(1)(A) of this section may be administered at any location
10 permitted by law within thirty (30) days before the application is submitted
11 by the applicant.

12 (3) ~~duly~~ Duly authorized agents of the Director of the
13 Department of Finance and Administration may administer oaths without charge.

14 (4) A person authorized to sign the application under
15 subdivision (a)(1) of this section is not required to personally appear at
16 the time the applicant submits the application.