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A Bill

SENATE BILL 82

5 By: Senator A. Clark
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS FILED WITH
9 THE COURT BEFORE A HEARING HELD UNDER THE ARKANSAS
10 JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS FILED
15 WITH THE COURT BEFORE A HEARING HELD
16 UNDER THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-27-361(c), concerning reports that are
22 filed with the court and provided to all parties by the Department of Human
23 Services or court-appointed special advocates, is amended to read as follows:

24 (c)(1) ~~Nothing in this section shall prevent the department or the~~
25 ~~court-appointed special advocate from filing a report with the court and~~
26 ~~providing it to all parties or their attorneys at least seven (7) business~~
27 ~~days before any scheduled dependency neglect hearing or presenting any~~
28 ~~subsequent or addendum reports to the court during a hearing.~~

29 ~~(2)(A)~~ *The court shall determine on the record whether ~~the~~*
30 *~~reports or addendum reports~~ a report or an addendum report shall be admitted*
31 *into evidence based on any evidentiary objections made by the parties.*

32 ~~(B)(2)~~ *The court shall not consider as evidence any report*
33 *~~or~~ part of a report, or an addendum report that was not admitted into*
34 *evidence on the record.*
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36 /s/A. Clark

