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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1809

5 By: Representative Womack
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF A FAMILY IN NEED OF
9 SERVICES CASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF A FAMILY IN
12 NEED OF SERVICES CASE.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-222(a)(5), concerning penalties for
20 unexcused absences and the revocation of driving privileges, is amended to
21 add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

22 (C) The school district shall notify the prosecuting
23 authority if the school district receives information indicating that the
24 student has relocated to a county in another judicial district.
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26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-222(a)(6), concerning penalties for
27 unexcused absences and the revocation of driving privileges, is amended to
28 add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

29 (C) The prosecuting authority may file a motion to
30 transfer a family in need of services case involving the student if the
31 prosecuting authority:

32 (i) Either:

33 (a) Receives the notice required under
34 subdivision (a)(5)(C) of this section; or

35 (b) Receives information indicating that the
36 student has relocated to a county in another judicial district; and



1 (ii) Knows the address of the student in the county
2 to which the student has relocated.

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4 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 9-27-307(b)(1), concerning the venue for
5 proceedings under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, is amended to read as
6 follows:

7 (b)(1)(A) Following adjudication, the court may on its own motion or
8 on motion of any party transfer the case to the county of the juvenile's
9 residence when the provisions of the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and
10 Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq., do not apply.

11 (B) An adult or family member who files a family in need
12 of services petition shall file a motion to transfer if the adult or family
13 member:

14 (i) Receives information indicating that the
15 juvenile involved in the family in need of services case has relocated to a
16 county in another judicial district; and

17 (ii) Knows the address of the juvenile in the county
18 to which the juvenile has relocated.

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