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A Bill

SENATE BILL 88

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

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PETITIONS TO
9 REINSTATE PARENTAL RIGHTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PETITIONS TO
12 REINSTATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.
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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 § 9-27-370(a), concerning who may file a
20 petition to reinstate the parental rights of a parent, is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 (a) The Department of Human Services ~~or~~, an attorney ad litem, or an
23 attorney contracted with the Commission for Parent Counsel may file a
24 petition to reinstate the parental rights of a parent whose parental rights
25 have been terminated under this subchapter if the:

26 (1) Court has granted a motion to resume services under § 9-27-
27 369;

28 (2) Services have continued for at least one hundred eighty
29 (180) days following the date on which the court entered the order granting a
30 motion to resume services under § 9-27-369; and

31 (3) Parent for whom reinstatement of parental rights is sought
32 has substantially complied with the orders of the court and with the case
33 plan developed under § 9-27-369.
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35 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 9-27-370(c)(3), concerning persons who must
36 be served with a petition to reinstate the parental rights of a parent, is



1 amended to read as follows:

2 (3) Parent who is the subject of the petition unless the
3 petition is filed by an attorney contracted with the Commission for Parent
4 Counsel;

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