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A Bill

SENATE BILL 562

By: Senator A. Clark
By: Representative Gazaway

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CHILD SUPPORT
ARREARAGES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCARCERATION
OF A PARENT WHO WAS ORDERED TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT; AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCARCERATION
OF A PARENT WHO WAS ORDERED TO PAY CHILD
SUPPORT.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-14-233(e) and (f), concerning incarceration of a parent obligated to pay child support, is amended to read as follows:

(e) If the obligated parent who is not incapacitated willfully refuses to pay past due support, ~~or~~ willfully refuses to engage in work activities, or willfully refuses to seek work activities as ordered by the court, the court may order the obligated parent to be incarcerated.

(f) In any action brought for the enforcement of a child support obligation, whenever the court orders an obligated parent to be incarcerated for willful failure to obey a previous order, the court may further direct that the obligated parent be temporarily released from confinement to engage in work activity upon such terms and conditions as the court deems just.

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