

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1809

By: Representative Womack

For An Act To Be Entitled

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

Subtitle

CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF A FAMILY IN NEED OF SERVICES CASE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-222(a)(5), concerning penalties for unexcused absences and the revocation of driving privileges, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(C) The school district shall notify the prosecuting authority if the school district receives information indicating that the student has relocated to a county in another judicial district.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-222(a)(6), concerning penalties for unexcused absences and the revocation of driving privileges, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

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

(i) Either:

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

/s/Womack