

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
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**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 83**

CONCERNING EVIDENCE PRESENTED IN CERTAIN JUVENILE HEARINGS; TO AMEND THE  
REQUIREMENTS FOR UNSUPERVISED VISITATION; AND TO ALLOW SANCTIONS FOR  
NONCOMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989.

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**Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 83**

Amend Senate Bill No. 83 as originally introduced:

Delete the title in its entirety and substitute:

"AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR UNSUPERVISED VISITATION; TO ADDRESS THE  
TIMELY ENTRY OF ORDERS UNDER THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR UNSUPERVISED VISITATION; AND TO ADDRESS THE  
TIMELY ENTRY OF ORDERS UNDER THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 16 through 22, and substitute the following:

"(C)(i) A rebuttable presumption that unsupervised  
visitation is in the best interest of the juvenile applies at every hearing.  
(ii) The burden of proof to rebut the presumption is  
proof by a preponderance of the evidence.  
(D)(i) If the court orders supervised visitation, the  
parent from whom custody of the juvenile has been removed shall receive a  
minimum of four (4) hours of supervised visitation per week.  
(ii) The court may order less than four (4) hours of  
supervised visitation if the court determines that the supervised visitation:  
(a) Is not in the best interest of the  
juvenile; or  
(b) Will impose an extreme hardship on one (1)  
of the parties."

AND



Delete SECTION 4 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 9-27-325, concerning hearings held under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(r)(1) A court shall set a hearing to address the entry of a written order if:

(A) The written order is not provided to the court for entry within the time specified under this subchapter; and

(B) A party files a motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order.

(2)(A) The court shall conduct a hearing to address the entry of the written order within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(B) A hearing to address the entry of a written order may be the next scheduled hearing in the proceeding if the hearing to address the entry of the written order is being held within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(C) The court is not required to conduct a hearing to address the entry of a written order if the written order is submitted to the court.

(3) The court shall reassign the preparation of the written order as needed."

AND

Delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_  
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