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2 93rd General Assembly  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1809

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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 shall 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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