HOUSE BILL 422

By Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 6 and Title 36, Chapter 5, relative to child support and visitation.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 6, Part 5, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

36-6-5___.

and by substituting instead the following language:

Either party to a visitation agreement may file a petition for an expedited hearing pursuant to chapter 5, part 4 of this title.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-6-501, is amended by deleting subdivision (4) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(4) "Not in compliance with an order of visitation" means that one (1) parent has intentionally interfered with implementation of a schedule of court-ordered visitation on two (2) or more occasions in any three-month period; and

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-6-503(a), is amended by deleting the following language:

A parent, who has been victimized by the other parent's intentional violation of § 36-6-502(a) on two (2) or more occasions within any six-month period,

A parent, who has been victimized by the other parent's intentional violation of § 36-6-502(a) on two (2) or more occasions within any three-month period,

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.