

1 **State of Arkansas**
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4 **By: Representatives Beatty, Allen, Blair, Calhoun, Dowd, Jordan, Mahony, Mills, Porter,**
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1674

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 *"AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE TITLE*
10 *10, CHAPTER 3, SUBCHAPTER 13 TO RENAME THE JOINT COMMITTEE*
11 *ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH AND PROVIDE THAT THE COMMITTEE SHALL*
12 *BE AN INTERIM COMMITTEE ONLY; TO CREATE THE 'SENATE*
13 *COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH' AS A SELECT COMMITTEE OF*
14 *THE SENATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."*

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

18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 10-3-1302 is amended to read as follows:

19 "10-3-1302. Creation - Members - Cochairmen.

20 (a) There is created a joint interim committee of the House of
21 Representatives and the Senate of the Arkansas General Assembly, to be known
22 as the 'Joint Interim Committee on Children and Youth.'

23 (b) The committee shall be chosen as follows:

24 (1) Five (5) members of the Senate, to be named by the Senate
25 Committee on Committees; and

26 (2) Five (5) members of the House of Representatives to be named
27 by the Speaker of the House.

28 (c) (1) Members of the Joint Interim Committee on Children and Youth
29 shall be appointed at each regular biennial session of the General Assembly .
30 However, members appointed to the joint interim committee shall continue to
31 serve on it until they resign or cease to serve as a member of the house from
32 which they were appointed.

33 (2) Members appointed to the Joint Interim Committee on Children
34 and Youth shall serve on that committee in addition to their service on the
35 regular standing and select committees of the House and Senate.

1 (d) The Senate Committee on Committees shall designate one (1) of the
2 Senate members of the Joint Interim Committee on Children and Youth to serve
3 as the Senate cochairman of the committee, and the Speaker of the House of
4 Representatives shall designate one (1) of the House members appointed to the
5 Joint Interim Committee on Children and Youth to serve as the House cochairman
6 of that committee. The Cochairmen of the Joint Interim Committee on Children
7 and Youth shall preside at alternate meetings of that committee unless the
8 cochairmen shall agree otherwise."

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10 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 10-3-1303 is amended to read as follows:

11 "10-3-1303. Senate select committee created - Duties.

12 (a) There is created a select committee in the Senate to be known as
13 the 'Senate Committee on Children and Youth.' The committee shall be
14 composed of the Senate members of the Joint Interim Committee on Children and
15 Youth.

16 (b) Bills pertaining to the safety, health, development, and problems
17 of children shall be referred to the Senate Committee on Children and Youth.
18 In addition, the Senate Committee on Children and Youth shall make continuing
19 studies and shall cooperate with the appropriate agencies of this state,
20 agencies of the United States Government, and the Congress of the United
21 States in the exchange and dissemination of information and in the development
22 of legislation designed to coordinate planning and to try new ways to prevent
23 young people from falling through the cracks."

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25 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 10-3-1320(a) is amended to read as follows:

26 "(a) The Joint Interim Committee on Children and Youth shall function
27 in the interim between the sine die adjournment or extended recess of the
28 regular session of each General Assembly until the convening of the next
29 regular session of the General Assembly or the convening of the current
30 General Assembly during an extended recess. This joint ad interim committee
31 shall function in addition to the other joint interim committees of the
32 Arkansas General Assembly established by law. In the event a vacancy shall
33 occur on the Joint Interim Committee on Children and Youth, the vacancy shall
34 be filled in the same manner as provided for in the initial appointment."

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