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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 562

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6 By: Representative Gazaway  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CHILD SUPPORT  
10 ARREARAGES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCARCERATION  
11 OF A PARENT WHO WAS ORDERED TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT; AND  
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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16 OF A PARENT WHO WAS ORDERED TO PAY CHILD  
17 SUPPORT.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-14-233(e) and (f), concerning  
24 incarceration of a parent obligated to pay child support, is amended to read  
25 as follows:

26 (e) If the obligated parent who is not incapacitated willfully refuses  
27 to pay past due support, ~~or~~ willfully refuses to engage in work activities,  
28 or willfully refuses to seek work activities as ordered by the court, the  
29 court may order the obligated parent to be incarcerated.

30 (f) In any action brought for the enforcement of a child support  
31 obligation, whenever the court orders an obligated parent to be incarcerated  
32 for willful failure to obey a previous order, the court may further direct  
33 that the obligated parent be temporarily released from confinement to engage  
34 in work activity upon such terms and conditions as the court deems just.  
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