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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1926

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION,
10 REVOCATION, OR NONRENEWAL OF A PERSON'S DRIVER'S
11 LICENSE FOR FAILURE TO PAY A COURT-ORDERED FINE; TO
12 AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A DEFENDANT'S INABILITY TO
13 IMMEDIATELY PAY A COURT-ORDERED FINE; AND FOR OTHER
14 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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20 A PERSON'S DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR FAILURE
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-13-702(a)(5)(A), concerning the
28 immediate payment of a court imposed fine by a defendant, is amended to read
29 as follows:

30 (5)(A)(i) If the defendant claims an inability to pay the fine,
31 the court shall inquire into the defendant's ability to pay and shall make a
32 determination of the defendant's financial ability to pay the fine.

33 (ii) To assist the court in making a determination
34 of the defendant's financial ability to pay a fine under subdivision
35 (a)(5)(A)(i) of this section, the defendant shall provide to the court
36 information regarding the defendant's:



- 1 (a) Monthly income;
- 2 (b) Monthly housing costs;
- 3 (c) Monthly utility costs;
- 4 (d) Monthly childcare costs;
- 5 (e) Monthly transportation costs;
- 6 (f) Monthly healthcare costs;
- 7 (g) Monthly tax liability; and
- 8 (h) Other necessary monthly costs.

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10 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 16-13-708(a), concerning the revocation,
 11 suspension, or nonrenewal of a driver’s license requested by a court from the
 12 Department of Finance and Administration, is amended to add an additional
 13 subdivision read as follows:

14 (4) When making a determination to request a revocation,
 15 suspension, or nonrenewal of a person’s driver’s license under subdivision
 16 (a)(1) of this section, the court shall consider the information provided
 17 under § 16-13-702(a)(5)(A)(ii).

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19 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 16-13-708(b), concerning the revocation,
 20 suspension, or nonrenewal of a driver’s license requested by a court from the
 21 Department of Finance and Administration, is amended to read as follows:

22 (b)(1) For a driver’s license revocation, suspension, or nonrenewal,
 23 the court must provide the department with the reason for the revocation,
 24 suspension, or nonrenewal, the amount the person owes the court, and the
 25 person’s full name, date of birth, and last known address.

26 (2) If a person fails to provide the court with the information
 27 required under § 16-13-702(a)(5)(A)(ii), the court shall include a
 28 notification to the department of the person’s failure to provide the
 29 required information with the court’s request for a driver’s license
 30 revocation, suspension, or nonrenewal.