

House Engrossed

right to jury; parent-child relationship

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HOUSE BILL 2675

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 8, ARIZONA REVISED STATUES, BY ADDING SECTION 8-818; RELATING TO THE RIGHT TO A JURY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Title 8, chapter 4, article 8, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 8-818, to read:

4 8-818. Right to jury; jury demand and hearing; applicability

5 A. A PARTY HAS A RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY AND THAT RIGHT MAY NOT BE
6 ARBITRARILY DENIED. THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO ALL PARTIES
7 OF THE RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY PRESCRIBED BY THIS SECTION. IF THE COURT
8 FAILS TO PROVIDE THIS NOTICE, ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS OR RULINGS DO NOT
9 HAVE THE FORCE OF LAW.

10 B. IF A PARTY BELIEVES THAT THE PARTY'S RIGHTS HAVE BEEN
11 SUBSTANTIALLY VIOLATED BY THE ORDERS OF THE COURT AND FILES A JURY DEMAND
12 WITH THE COURT WITHIN TWENTY DAYS AFTER THE COURT'S ORDERS WERE FILED, THE
13 COURT SHALL SET A NEW HEARING BEFORE A JURY WITHIN TWENTY DAYS AFTER THE
14 DEMAND IS FILED. A PARTY MAY HAVE THE JURY REEXAMINE DISCRETE PORTIONS OF
15 THE COURT'S ORDERS WITHOUT THE ENTIRE CASE BEING RELITIGATED OR
16 REEXAMINED.

17 C. A JURY TRIAL SET PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL COMMENCE WITHIN
18 SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE COURT HAS ENTERED ORDERS FOLLOWING A HEARING FOR THE
19 TERMINATION OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP.

20 D. THIS SECTION APPLIES TO MATTERS BEFORE THE COURT FOR A
21 PRELIMINARY PROTECTIVE HEARING PURSUANT TO SECTION 8-824 OR ANY OTHER
22 HEARING FOR THE TERMINATION OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP.

23 Sec. 2. Effective date

24 Section 8-818, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act, is
25 effective from and after December 31, 2022.