| 1  | State of Arkansas            | A D;11                                   |                        |
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| 2  | 89th General Assembly        | A Bill                                   |                        |
| 3  | Regular Session, 2013        |  | SENATE BILL 828        |
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| 5  | By: Senator L. Chesterfield  |  |                        |
| 6  |                              |  |                        |
| 7  |                              | For An Act To Be Entitled                |                        |
| 8  |                              | O ALLOW FOSTER CARE BOARD PAYMENTS AND   |                        |
| 9  | ADOPTION                     | SUBSIDIES TO BE MADE BY ELECTRONIC FUND  | S                      |
| 10 | TRANSFER                     | DIRECT DEPOSIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  |                        |
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| 13 |                              | Subtitle                                 |                        |
| 14 | ТО                           | ALLOW FOSTER CARE BOARD PAYMENTS AND     |                        |
| 15 | ADO                          | PTION SUBSIDIES TO BE MADE BY            |                        |
| 16 | ELE                          | CTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER DIRECT DEPOSIT.   |                        |
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| 19 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE         | GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANS  | AS:                    |
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| 21 | SECTION 1. Art               | kansas Code Title 9, Chapter 28, Subchap | ter l, is amended      |
| 22 | to add an additional         | section to read as follows:              |                        |
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| 24 | <u>9-28-121. Elec</u>        | ctronic funds transfer direct deposit of | foster care            |
| 25 | board payments or add        | option subsidies.                        |                        |
| 26 | <u>(a) A person v</u>        | vho receives a foster care board payment | or an adoption         |
| 27 | subsidy from the Depa        | artment of Human Services may elect to a | ccept the foster       |
| 28 | care board payment of        | r adoption subsidy by electronic funds t | ransfer direct         |
| 29 | <u>deposit.</u>              |  |                        |
| 30 | (b) The electr               | conic direct deposit of a foster care bo | ard payment or         |
| 31 | adoption subsidy shall       | ll be paid to the account of the benefic | iary of the            |
| 32 | <u>payment in a financia</u> | al institution equipped for electronic f | unds transfers if      |
| 33 | <u>the financial institu</u> | ition:                                   |                        |
| 34 | <u>(1) Is a</u>              | lesignated in writing by the beneficiary | ; and                  |
| 35 | <u>(2) Has</u>               | lawful authority to accept such deposit  | <u>.s.</u>             |
| 36 | <u>(c)</u> The Depart        | ment of Human Services may establish a   | <u>special account</u> |



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