

By: Representative Anderson (110th)

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1022

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN UNEMANCIPATED MINOR CHILD UNDER THE
2 AGE OF EIGHTEEN TO BRING A SUIT FOR SUPPORT AGAINST THE CHILD'S
3 PARENT OR PARENTS IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE
4 CHILD RESIDES; TO AUTHORIZE THE COURT TO ENTER AN ORDER FOR
5 SUPPORT AND IN CERTAIN CASES, REQUIRE A TRUSTEE TO BE NAMED FOR
6 RECEIVING PAYMENTS; TO SPECIFY WHEN THE ORDER FOR SUPPORT
7 TERMINATES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

9 SECTION 1. (1) An unemancipated minor child under the age
10 of eighteen (18) years in the State of Mississippi may initiate a
11 suit for support in the chancery court of the county in which the
12 child resides and name as defendants the child's parent or
13 parents. In cases where a minor child has been adopted by decree
14 of the court, the adoptive parent or parents must be named as
15 defendants in lieu of the natural parents. Where the custody and
16 control of a minor child has been awarded by a decree of court to
17 one (1) of the parents, whether natural or adoptive, to the
18 exclusion of the other, the minor child, in the child's
19 determination, may name as the defendant only the parent to whom
20 the custody and control has been awarded.



43 (6) Unless otherwise provided in the order for support, the
44 duty of support of a minor child arising from an order issued
45 under this section terminates whenever the child:



