State of Misconsin



2017 Assembly Bill 775

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2017 WISCONSIN ACT 256

AN ACT *to amend* 48.415 (2) (a) 3. of the statutes; **relating to:** the showing of a substantial likelihood that a parent will not meet the conditions established for the safe return of the child to the home in a termination of parental rights proceeding.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 48.415 (2) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

48.415 (2) (a) 3. That the child has been <u>placed</u> outside the home for a cumulative total period of 6 months or longer pursuant to such orders an order listed under <u>subd. 1.</u>, not including time spent outside the home as an unborn child; and that the parent has failed to meet the conditions established for the safe return of the child to

the home and there is a substantial likelihood that the parent will not meet these conditions within the 9-month period following the fact-finding hearing under s. 48.424; and, if the child has been placed outside the home for less than 15 of the most recent 22 months, that there is a substantial likelihood that the parent will not meet these conditions as of the date on which the child will have been placed outside the home for 15 of the most recent 22 months, not including any period during which the child was a runaway from the out-of-home placement or was residing in a trial reunification home.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."