## CHAPTER 234 FORMERLY HOUSE BILL NO. 223

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 13 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO REPORTS TO THE COURT.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend § 1114, Title 13 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

## § 1114 Placement for adoption.

After the issuance of an order terminating the existing parental rights and transferring them to the Department or a licensed agency, the agency shall attempt to promptly place the child for adoption. Every 6 months thereafter until an adoption decree or permanent guardianship order is entered the agency shall advise the Court in writing of the status of the child stating the reasons for the delay in placement or adoption. The Court may, after notice, hold a hearing to determine if any further action is required in the best interest of the child. When a child has been in a guardianship for at least 2 years, the Department may petition the court for permission to provide reports on a 12 month basis.

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