

GUARDIANSHIP ASSISTANCE ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 260 of 2008

722.873 Guardianship assistance; eligibility.

Sec. 3. A child is eligible to receive guardianship assistance if the department determines that all of the following apply:

- (a) The child has been removed from his or her home as a result of a judicial determination that allowing the child to remain in the home would be contrary to the child's welfare.
- (b) The child has resided in the home of the prospective guardian for, at a minimum, 6 consecutive months.
- (c) Reunification and placing the child for adoption are not appropriate permanency options.
- (d) The child demonstrates a strong attachment to the prospective guardian and the guardian has a strong commitment to caring permanently for the child until the child reaches 18 years of age.
- (e) If the child has reached 14 years of age, he or she has been consulted regarding the guardianship arrangement.

History: 2008, Act 260, Imd. Eff. Aug. 4, 2008;—Am. 2009, Act 15, Imd. Eff. Apr. 9, 2009;—Am. 2015, Act 227, Imd. Eff. Dec. 17, 2015.