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CHAPTER 170

AN ACT to amend 322.04 (9) of the statutes, relating to the necessity of securing written consent of guardian ad litem for adoption of illegitimate child of minor mother.

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

322.04 (9) of the statutes is amended to read:

322.04 (9) (a) In the case of a minor or incompetent parent or a parent who is on release under s. 51.13, a guardian ad litem shall be appointed for the parent and the consent of such parent shall be effective only when concurred in by the written consent of the guardian ad litem, *excepting that no guardian ad litem need be appointed for a minor mother of an illegitimate child when such mother was represented by a duly licensed attorney at the time of giving her consent.*

(b) *Whenever a petition shall be filed in any court showing that such court had theretofore made an order for the adoption by the petitioners of an illegitimate child of a minor mother, which order was invalid due to a failure to secure the concurrence in consent required by this subsection, the court shall appoint a time and place for hearing the petition and due notice of such hearing shall be given to the mother of such child in the manner provided in s. 324.18. If upon such hearing it shall appear that the illegitimate child was placed for adoption and continued to remain for more than 5 years in the custody of the petitioners, that the mother was, at the time of giving her consent, represented by a duly licensed attorney, and that the prior order of adoption was invalid solely because of a failure to secure concurrence in consent required by this subsection, the court shall enter an order declaring that the child shall be to all legal intents and purposes the child of the petitioners from and after the date of such subsequent order.*

Approved May 15, 1953.
