

HB 897

2010

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to grandparent visitation; amending s.  
 3           752.01, F.S.; providing additional grounds for awarding a  
 4           grandparent visitation with a grandchild; providing an  
 5           effective date.

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 7   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 9           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 752.01, Florida  
 10          Statutes, is amended to read:

11           752.01 Action by grandparent for right of visitation; when  
 12          petition shall be granted.—

13           (1) The court shall, upon petition filed by a grandparent  
 14          of a minor child, award reasonable rights of visitation to the  
 15          grandparent with respect to the child if ~~when~~ it is in the best  
 16          interest of the minor child and ~~if~~:

17           (a) The marriage of the parents of the child has been  
 18          dissolved;

19           (b) The parent of the child who is the son or daughter of  
 20          the grandparent is deceased and the grandparent had a  
 21          relationship with the child before the death of the parent;

22           ~~(c)~~ (b) A parent of the child has deserted the child; or

23           ~~(d)~~ (e) The minor child was born out of wedlock and not  
 24          later determined to be a child born within wedlock as provided  
 25          in s. 742.091.

26           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.