

## **SENATE BILL 113:**

## committee. **Modify Termination of Parental Rights Appeals.**

2021-2022 General Assembly

Committee: Senate Judiciary. If favorable, re-refer to Rules **Date:** March 2, 2021

and Operations of the Senate

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OVERVIEW: Senate Bill 113 would change the direct right of appeal from an order granting or denying a termination of parental rights from the North Carolina Supreme Court to the Court of Appeals.

CURRENT LAW AND BACKGROUND: S.L. 2017-7 and S.L. 2017-41 changed the direct right of appeal of an order that grants or denies a termination of parental rights from the Court of Appeals to the North Carolina Supreme Court.

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

**Section 1** would remove the right to appeal a case involving an order that terminates parental rights or denies a petition or motion to terminate parental rights directly to the North Carolina Supreme Court.

Section 2 would provide a direct right of appeal to the Court of Appeals in termination of parental rights cases and delete the right to appeal an order eliminating reunification as a permanent plan.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act becomes effective October 1, 2021, and applies to appeals filed on or after that date.



**This Bill Analysis** reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in