

Time Taken, Time Back

Restoring legally mandated family time lost

House Bill 307 | Sponsors: Representative Schwanke, Representative Allard



- HB 307 amends AS 25.20 to create a legal mechanism ensuring parents or other legal guardians receive compensatory visitation when their court-ordered time is denied by another parent or legal guardian due to an unsubstantiated report of harm or neglect. HB 307 ensures **accountability** for **false** reports of harm or neglect.

Clear statutory triggers for compensatory visitation



An existing court order specifically mandates visitation.



Visitation is denied during a DFCS investigation (AS 47.10.011).



DFCS officially deems the allegation to be unsubstantiated, and

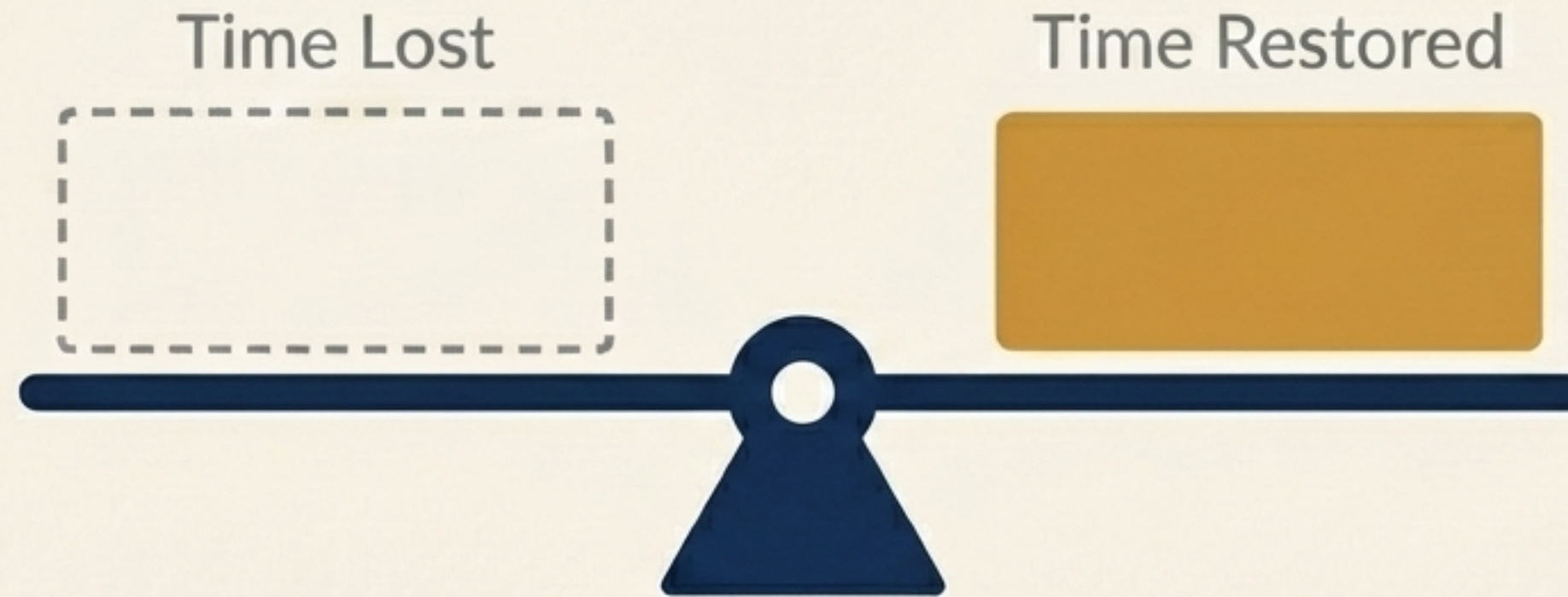


The child's custodian fails to establish other good cause for denial.



The court shall order compensatory visitation.

Precise parameters ensure lost time is restored equitably.



Match

Compensatory visitation must be of the same type and duration as the original visitation that did not occur.

Two-Year Window

The makeup visitation must be completed within **two years** after the date the court enters the order.

Strict judicial guardrails protect the child's best interests.



HB 307 is not a blank check for visitation.

The court explicitly retains the authority to impose reasonable conditions on the compensatory visitation.

These conditions ensure the process remains entirely focused on protecting the best interests of the child.

Forward-looking implementation taking effect July 1, 2026

Effective Date (Sec. 3)



July 1, 2026

Forward Applicability (Sec. 2)



The bill is not retroactive.

It applies exclusively to court-ordered visitation
denied on or after the effective date.