

Act 485 of the 1989 Regular Session.

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SB88

By: Senator Kinard

"AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 20, CHAPTER 10, SUBCHAPTER 2, OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987, TO ESTABLISH A STATE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR WINGS, UNITS OR ROOMS WITHIN LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES WHICH DEVELOP SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS FOR DEMENTIA, INCLUDING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND OTHER RELATED CONDITIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 20-10-224 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"20-10-224. License required - Administration by Department of Human Services.

(a) No long-term care facility or related institution shall be established, conducted, or maintained in this state without obtaining a license.

(b) The department shall, by properly promulgating rules and regulations, provide for the issuance of appropriate types of long-term care facility licenses, including the licensure of facilities with specialized wings, units, or rooms for dementia residents, those suffering from Alzheimer's disease and other related conditions.

(c) The department may provide, by properly promulgating rules and regulations, for the issuance of permanent type licenses, subject to revocation.

(d) This section shall not apply to hospital swing beds."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED: March 10, 1989

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