

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
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A Bill

Act 237 of 2001
HOUSE BILL 1130

5 By: Representatives Bond, Agee, Bledsoe, Borhauer, Carson, Dees, J. Elliott, Green, Judy, King,
6 Rodgers, Salmon, Shoffner, W. Walker
7 By: Senators Gullett, Horn, Trusty
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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE
11 TO RENAME THE ARKANSAS PRENATAL AND EARLY CHILDHOOD
12 NURSE HOME VISITATION PROGRAM AFTER THE LATE
13 REPRESENTATIVE RITA ROWELL HALE; AND FOR OTHER
14 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 ARKANSAS CODE TO RENAME THE ARKANSAS
19 PRENATAL AND EARLY CHILDHOOD NURSE HOME
20 VISITATION PROGRAM AFTER THE LATE
21 REPRESENTATIVE RITA ROWELL HALE.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 20-78-702(a) and (b) are amended to read as
28 follows:

29 (a) The ~~Arkansas~~ Rita Rowell Hale Prenatal and Early Childhood Nurse
30 Home Visitation Program is established and shall be administered by the
31 Department of Health.

32 (b) The department shall implement the Rita Rowell Hale Prenatal and
33 Early Childhood Nurse Home Visitation model developed by Dr. David Olds.
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35 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 20-78-703(a), (b) and (c) are amended to read
36 as follows:

20-78-703. Advisory council.

(a) There is created the ~~Arkansas~~ Rita Rowell Hale Prenatal and Early Childhood Nurse Home Visitation Program Advisory Council.

(b) The council shall consist of eleven (11) members to be appointed by the Governor as follows:

(1) Two (2) members from the Department of Health, to be nominated by the Director of the Department of Health;

(2) Two (2) members from the College of Medicine of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, to be nominated by the Dean of the College of Medicine;

(3) One (1) member from the College of Nursing of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, to be nominated by the Dean of the College of Nursing;

(4) One (1) member from the Arkansas Nurses Association;

(5) One (1) member from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Social Work, to be nominated by the Director of the School of Social Work;

(6) One (1) member from the Division of Early Childhood Development of the Department of Human Services;

(7) One (1) member from the State Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board, to be nominated by the director; and

(8) Two (2) members from the public at large, at least one (1) of whom shall be active in child advocacy within the state, and one (1) of whom shall be an African American.

(c) The Director of the ~~Arkansas~~ Rita Rowell Hale Prenatal and Early Childhood Nurse Home Visitation Program shall serve as an ex officio member of the Board.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 20-78-708 is amended to read as follows:

20-78-708. Funding.

The Director of the Department of Health is authorized to utilize available general revenue savings and allowable federal funds in support of the activities described in this subchapter in the event that sufficient funds are not allocated for the Rita Rowell Hale Prenatal and Early Childhood Nurse Home Visitation Program herein. The director is authorized to transfer appropriations and funds, as necessary, only for the purposes provided for in

1 this subchapter. Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and
2 review by the Legislative Council, such transfers shall be made upon the books
3 of the Department of Finance and Administration, the Auditor of State and the
4 Treasurer of State.

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