

**Hall of the House of Representatives**  
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**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 1039**

"TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS GRANT  
PROGRAM AND AN INCOME TAX RETURN CHECKOFF PROGRAM TO FUND IT."

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1039.**

Amend House Bill No. 1039 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 9 and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO BE KNOWN AS "THE BABY SHARON ACT"; TO CREATE AN"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 18 through 21 and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO BE KNOWN AS "THE BABY SHARON ACT"."

AND

Page 1, delete line 28 and substitute the following:

"26-35-1201. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Baby Sharon Act".

26-35-1202. Creation."

AND

Page 1, delete line 35 and substitute the following:

"all refund due, of your tax refund for Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic"

AND

Page 2, delete line 4 and substitute the following:

"amount) for Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Trust"

AND

Page 2, delete line 6 and substitute the following:

"separate check for the amount of your contribution, payable to Baby



Sharon's"

AND

Page 2, delete line 9 and substitute the following:

"26-35-1203. Administration.

AND

Page 2, delete line 12 and substitute the following:

"made to the State of Arkansas for the purposes of funding Baby Sharon's"

AND

Page 2, delete line 15 and substitute the following:

"so received into Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program"

AND

Page 2, delete line 28 and substitute the following:

"funding Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Trust"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 34 through 35 and substitute the following:

"26-35-1204. Effective dates.

"(a) Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Trust"

AND

Page 3, delete line 4 and substitute the following:

"devises, and donations shall be effective on August 1, 2003.

26-35-1205. Advisory committee.

(a) There is established an advisory committee to be known as the "Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Advisory Committee".

(b) The committee shall consist of five (5) members to be appointed by the Governor.

(c) The committee members shall be:

(1) Individuals who have knowledge of children with catastrophic illnesses or injuries; and

(2) Residents of the State of Arkansas at the time of appointment and throughout his or her term.

(d)(1) Except for initial appointments, the appointments to the committee shall be for a term of four (4) years.

(2) For initial appointments, the members shall draw lots to determine the length of their terms as follows:

(A) Two (2) members shall have terms of two (2) years;

(B) Two (2) members shall have terms of three (3) years;

and

(C) One (1) member shall have a term of four (4) years.

(e) If a vacancy occurs during a term, the Governor shall appoint a replacement for the unexpired term.

(f) The Governor shall designate the chairperson.

(g)(1) The committee shall meet at times and places as the chairperson deems necessary, but no meetings shall be held outside of the State of Arkansas.

(2) A majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business.

(3) All action of the committee shall be by a majority vote of the full membership of the committee.

(h) The committee shall:

(1) Consult with the Department of Human Services concerning grant applications related to Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program; and

(2) Consult with the Department of Human Services concerning rules and regulations that the department promulgates for Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program.

(i)(1) The Department of Human Services shall provide staff and office space to the committee.

(2)(A) Members of the committee shall serve without pay.

(B) Members of the committee shall not receive expense reimbursement under § 25-16-902."

AND

Page 3, delete line 12 and substitute the following:

"Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Trust Fund".

AND

Page 3, line 13, delete "26-35-1201" and substitute "26-35-1202"

AND

Page 3, line 22, delete "26-35-1202" and substitute "26-35-1203"

AND

Page 3, delete line 29 and substitute the following:

"each fiscal year of the biennium for Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic

AND

Page 3, delete lines 33 through 34 and substitute the following:

"Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Trust Fund" to establish Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program."

AND

Page 4, line 2, add the following:

“(c) The department shall consult with Baby Sharon’s Children’s Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Advisory Committee concerning:

(1) Grant applications related to Baby Sharon’s Children’s Catastrophic Illness Grant Program; and

(2) Rules and regulations promulgated by the department for Baby Sharon’s Children’s Catastrophic Illness Grant Program.”

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_

By: Representative Hutchinson

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Chief Clerk