

ARKANSAS SENATE

88th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2011

Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 459

TO FOCUS STATE AGENCY ATTENTION ON MORTALITY DISPARITIES; TO DEFINE
RED COUNTIES; AND TO CREATE PROGRAMS TO REMEDY MORTALITY
DISPARITIES IN THIS STATE.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 459

Amend Senate Bill No. 459 as originally introduced:

Delete the title in its entirety and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO DEFINE ARKANSAS RED COUNTIES; TO ESTABLISH A REPORTING SYSTEM; AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"AN ACT TO DEFINE ARKANSAS RED COUNTIES AND TO ESTABLISH A REPORTING SYSTEM."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 36

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 11 and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) As used in this section, "Arkansas red counties" means those
counties in which Arkansans were born and are living have a life expectancy
rate six (6) to ten (10) times less than the life expectancy of Arkansans who
were born and are living in the county with the highest life expectancy.

(2) "Arkansas red counties" includes on the effective date of
this subchapter:

- (1) Arkansas;
- (2) Chicot;
- (3) Crittenden;
- (4) Cross;
- (5) Dallas;
- (6) Desha;
- (7) Fulton;
- (8) Jackson;
- (9) Jefferson;



- (10) Mississippi;
- (11) Monroe;
- (12) Ouachita;
- (13) Perry;
- (14) Phillips;
- (15) Poinsett;
- (16) St. Francis;
- (17) Sevier;
- (18) Union; and
- (19) Woodruff."

AND

Page 2, line 22, delete "(c)" and substitute "(c)(1)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 24 through 32 and substitute the following:

"in Arkansas is encouraged to provide its programs, services, and research in Arkansas red counties.

(2) Identified agencies, boards, and commissions whose scope of services encompasses the Arkansas red counties include without limitation, the:

- (A) Arkansas Center for Health Improvement;
- (B) Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality;
- (C) Department of Health;
- (D) Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences;
- (E) Area Agencies on Aging;
- (F) Arkansas Biosciences Institute of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences;
- (G) Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences;
- (H) Partners for Inclusive Communities of the University Centers of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

(3)(A) The entities listed in subdivision (c)(2) of this section shall submit an annual report to the chair of the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor and the chair of the Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor and the Governor to be delivered on or before October 1 of each year.

(B) The annual report required under subdivision (c)(3)(A) of this section shall include without limitation a section that:

- (i) Describes services, programs, research, or any combination of services, programs, and research provided in the Arkansas red counties during the previous fiscal years;
- (ii) Accounts for expenditures, services, programs, research, or any combination of services, programs, and research provided in the Arkansas red counties during the previous fiscal year; and
- (iii) Provides recommendations toward improving health and healthcare in Arkansas red counties."

AND

Page 2, line 33, delete "(d)(1)" and substitute "(d)"

AND

Page 2, line 36, delete "(A)" and substitute "(1)"

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "(B)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "(C)" and substitute "(3)"

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Page 3, line 3, delete "(D)" and substitute "(4)"

AND

Page 3, line 4, delete "(E)" and substitute "(5)"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 6 through 10

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Crumbly

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Secretary