

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
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4 **By: Senator Steve Bell**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL**

## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CHECKS IN PAYMENT FOR CLAIMS UNDER  
9 A DENTAL SERVICES CONTRACT WHERE THE DENTIST IS NOT A  
10 PARTICIPANT UNDER THE CONTRACT SHALL BE MADE OUT TO BOTH  
11 THE PROVIDER AND THE INSURED JOINTLY; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES."

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

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16 SECTION 1. Checks in payment for claims pursuant to any dental care  
17 service contract for dental care services provided by persons licensed under  
18 Title 17, Chapters 81 through 88 and Chapters 90 through 97 of the Arkansas  
19 Code, when the dentist is not a participant under a contract with a dental  
20 service contractor, shall be made out to both the dentist and the insured,  
21 jointly, to require endorsement by each; provided, that payment shall be made  
22 in the single name of the insured if the insured as part of his or her claim  
23 furnishes evidence of prepayment to the dentist; and provided further, that  
24 nothing in this Act shall preclude a dental service contractor from  
25 voluntarily issuing payment directly to and in the single name of the dentist.

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

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31 SECTION 3. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to  
32 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
33 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without  
34 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
35 Act are declared to be severable.

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SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

