

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Senators Jewell and Miles**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL 565**

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

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 23-79-114(a)(1) CONCERNING  
9 INSURANCE AND PROVIDING FOR EQUALITY IN THE CONDITIONS  
10 PLACED ON PAYMENT TO OR UPON SERVICES OF THE VARIOUS  
11 CLASSES OF PHYSICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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15 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 23-79-114(a)(1) is amended to read as follows:

16 "(a)(1) Notwithstanding any provision of any individual or group policy  
17 of accident and health insurance or any provision of a policy, contract, plan  
18 or agreement for hospital or medical service or indemnity, in cases where the  
19 policy, contract, plan or agreement provides for payment or reimbursement for  
20 services provided by persons licensed under the Arkansas Medical Practices  
21 Act, 17-93-201 et seq., the person entitled to benefits or person performing  
22 services under the policy, contract, plan or agreement is entitled to payment  
23 or reimbursement on an equal basis for services performed by any person  
24 licensed under any of the examining boards found in 17-80-101, as amended by  
25 17-93-301 -- 17-93-304, without unfair discrimination to the usual and  
26 customary treatment procedures or nomenclature utilized by persons licensed  
27 under Chapter 81 of Title 17 of the Arkansas Code."

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

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

1 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
2 act are declared to be severable.

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5 hereby repealed.

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