

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  
2 84th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2003

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1140

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5 By: Representatives Bond, Borhauer, Stovall  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE PERMIT OF APPROVAL PROCESS  
10 FOR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

13 AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE PERMIT OF APPROVAL  
14 PROCESS FOR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES.  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-10-1709 is repealed.

21 ~~20-10-1709. Permit of approval.~~

22 ~~(a) Facilities offering assisted living services must obtain a permit~~  
23 ~~of approval. Provided, however, that permits of approval held by residential~~  
24 ~~care facilities as of April 2, 2001, or held by subsequent purchasers of~~  
25 ~~those facilities, shall also be considered permits of approval for assisted~~  
26 ~~living without further action. However, residential care facilities that~~  
27 ~~choose to offer assisted living services are not exempted from assisted~~  
28 ~~living licensure requirements except as provided in § 20-10-1704.~~

29 ~~(b)(1)(A) Provided, further, that in order to take advantage of a~~  
30 ~~Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant, one (1) new facility chosen by the~~  
31 ~~Department of Human Services may serve as a pilot project without the~~  
32 ~~necessity of a permit of approval. This facility shall be exempt from the~~  
33 ~~permit of approval process provided that in 2001 it is awarded funding from~~  
34 ~~the Coming Home Project and tax credits from the Arkansas Development Finance~~  
35 ~~Authority.~~

36 ~~(B) The Coming Home Project means the Robert Wood Johnson~~



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1 ~~Foundation/NCB Development Corporation grant.~~

2 ~~(2) The facility shall have no more than sixty (60) beds and~~  
3 ~~shall serve a population a majority of which is low income as defined by the~~  
4 ~~Department of Housing and Urban Development.~~

5 ~~(3) The pilot project facility must still meet all other~~  
6 ~~licensure requirements.~~

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