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.

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2	84th General Assembly	A Bill		
3	Regular Session, 2003		HOUSE BILL	2423
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5	By: Representative Gillespie			
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled			
9	AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 20, CHAPTER			
10	10 AND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 16, CHAPTER 46,			
11	SUBCHAPTER 1 TO PROTECT RECORDS OF AND TESTIMONY			
12	BEFORE QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEES EVALUATING			
13	THE QUALITY OF CARE IN A LONG TERM CARE FACILITY;			
14	AND FOI	R OTHER PURPOSES.		
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19	EVAI	LUATING THE QUALITY OF CARE IN A		
20	LONG	G-TERM CARE FACILITY.		
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23	BE IT ENACTED BY THE	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKAN	SAS:	
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25	SECTION 1. Cha	pter 10 of Title 20 of the Arkansas Coo	de is amended l	by
26	adding the following new subchapter, relating to quality assurance committees			
27	of long-term care facilities:			
28	Sub	chapter 19 - Quality Assurance Committe	ee.	
29	<u>20-10-1901.</u> As	used in this subchapter, the term "qua	ality assurance	e
30	committee" or "committee" means a committee of a long-term care facility			
31	which is formed to evaluate and improve the quality of health care rendered			
32	by providers of health services in long-term care facilities or to determine			
33	that health services rendered were professionally indicated or were performed			
34	in compliance with the applicable standard of care or that the cost of health			
35	care rendered was considered reasonable by the providers of professional			
36	<u>health services in th</u>	e area.		

