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2 91st General Assembly  
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*As Engrossed: S3/13/17*  
**A Bill**

SENATE BILL 642

5 By: Senator Rapert  
6 *By: Representative Payton*  
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**For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO ALLOW MEDIGAP COVERAGE, ALSO KNOWN AS  
10 MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE, TO BE PURCHASED IN  
11 ARKANSAS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE  
12 UNDER SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE; TO REQUIRE THE  
13 STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT TO AMEND STATE INSURANCE  
14 DEPARTMENT RULE 27; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**Subtitle**

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19 MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE, TO BE  
20 PURCHASED IN ARKANSAS FOR INDIVIDUALS  
21 WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE UNDER SIXTY-  
22 FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE; AND TO REQUIRE AN  
23 AMENDMENT TO RULE 27.

26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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28 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative findings and intent.

29 (a) The General Assembly finds that:

30 (1) Arkansans who are under sixty-five (65) years of age and  
31 have Medicare due to a disability are unable to purchase certain policies of  
32 Medigap coverage, also known as Medicare supplement insurance, under State  
33 Insurance Department Rule 27; and

34 (2) The exclusion of the Medigap coverage option under State  
35 Insurance Department Rule 27 may create an undue financial burden on Arkansas  
36 residents.



