

**Hall of the House of Representatives**  
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**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 1975**

TO ESTABLISH THE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATE REVIEW ACT OF 2019; TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATE REVIEWS OF MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATES AND METHODOLOGIES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1975**

Amend House Bill No. 1975 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:

"(a) The Department of Human Services shall establish a systematic approach to review Medicaid reimbursement rates for all types of Medicaid providers on a regular, periodic schedule.

(b) The Medicaid reimbursement rate review shall:

(1) Ensure that Medicaid reimbursement rates under the service categories reported to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services by the department are reviewed at least once every four (4) years;

(2) Prioritize types of Medicaid providers;

(3) Consider:

(A) The availability and access to care in each geographic region of the state; and

(B) The substantiality of Medicaid reimbursement rates while attracting a sufficient number of healthcare providers to deliver quality services; and

(4) Reward efficiency and quality of care.

(c) The department may require the submission of cost reports, Medicaid provider surveys, and other materials and data in order to complete the Medicaid reimbursement rate review.

(d) In advance of any Medicaid reimbursement rate review, the department shall report the Medicaid provider types to be reviewed in a quarterly report to:

(1) The Legislative Council;

(2) The Bureau of Legislative Research; and

(3) Arkansas Legislative Audit."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 36



AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 13

AND

Page 3, delete lines 23 through 29, and substitute the following:

"reimbursement rate review methodology and procedure; that this act requires the department to establish a Medicaid reimbursement rate review; that the establishment of the Medicaid reimbursement rate review may require the department to promulgate rules or submit a state plan amendment or waiver, or both; and that this act is immediately necessary because the department needs to be able to promulgate rules or submit a state plan amendment request or waiver request, or"

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_

By: Representative Boyd

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