

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **80th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1995**
4 **By: Senator Bookout**

A Bill

ACT 844 OF 1995
SENATE BILL 39

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO GRANT IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL DAMAGES TO PHYSICIANS
9 AND SURGEONS RENDERING FREE AND VOLUNTARY MEDICAL SERVICES
10 AT FREE OR LOW-COST MEDICAL CLINICS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE
11 REGISTRATION OF FREE OR LOW-COST MEDICAL CLINICS BY THE
12 STATE BOARD OF HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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16 DAMAGES TO PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS
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19 CLINICS."

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

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23 *SECTION 1. Retired physicians and surgeons who are still licensed to*
24 *practice medicine by the Arkansas State Medical Board under the laws of the*
25 *State of Arkansas, and who render medical services voluntarily and without*
26 *compensation to any person at any free or low-cost medical clinic located in*
27 *the State of Arkansas and registered by the State Board of Health, which*
28 *accepts no insurance payments and provides medical services free of charge to*
29 *persons unable to pay or provides medical services for a nominal fee shall not*
30 *be liable for any civil damages for any act or omission resulting from the*
31 *rendering of such medical services unless such act or omission was the result*
32 *of such licensee's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.*

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34 *SECTION 2. The Arkansas State Board of Health is empowered to adopt*
35 *such rules and regulations as it may determine necessary to provide for*
36 *registration of free or low-cost medical clinics under this act, provided such*

