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## A Bill

SENATE BILL 328

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### For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT EACH WOMAN WHO GIVES BIRTH IN A  
10 HOSPITAL OR A FREE-STANDING BIRTHING CLINIC RECEIVES  
11 EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESCRIBING THE NATURE OF, THE  
12 DANGERS OF, AND METHODS FOR THE PREVENTION OF SHAKEN  
13 BABY SYNDROME BEFORE THE WOMAN IS DISCHARGED; AND FOR  
14 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

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18 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT EACH WOMAN WHO  
19 GIVES BIRTH IN A MEDICAL FACILITY  
20 RECEIVES EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESCRIBING  
21 SHAKEN BABY SYNDROME BEFORE THE WOMAN IS  
22 DISCHARGED.  
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1 is amended  
28 to add an additional section to read as follows:

29 20-9-102. Shaken baby syndrome educational materials.

30 (a) A hospital or a free-standing birthing clinic shall ensure that  
31 each woman who gives birth in a hospital or a free-standing birthing clinic  
32 receives educational materials before being discharged describing the nature  
33 of, the dangers of, and methods for the prevention of shaken baby syndrome.

34 (b) The Department of Health shall develop and disseminate the  
35 required materials under subsection (a) of this section to hospitals and  
36 free-standing birthing clinics in the state.



1 (c)(1) The department may adopt rules to implement this section.

2 (2) The rules adopted under subdivision (c)(1) of this section  
3 shall include without limitation rules establishing procedures for reporting  
4 compliance with this section.

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6 /s/P. Malone

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