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A Bill

SENATE BILL 420

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5 By: Senator Irvin

For An Act To Be Entitled

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8 AN ACT TO ALLOW INSURANCE CARRIERS TO OBTAIN
9 PRACTITIONER AND DISPENSER INFORMATION MAINTAINED BY
10 THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM; TO ALLOW
11 PRESCRIBER DATA TO BE USED FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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

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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-7-607(d), concerning the Department of
27 Health's providing prescription monitoring information, is amended to read as
28 follows:

29 (d) The department may provide patient, prescriber, or dispenser
30 information to public or private entities for statistical, research, or
31 educational purposes after encrypting or removing ~~the~~ any patient's name,
32 street name and number, patient identification number, month and day of
33 birth, and prescriber or dispenser information that could be used to identify
34 individual patients or persons who received prescriptions ~~from dispensers, or~~
35 ~~both~~.



1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-7-607, concerning the Department of
2 Health's providing prescription monitoring information, is amended to add an
3 additional subsection to read as follows:

4 (e) The department may provide information in the Prescription Drug
5 Monitoring Program to insurance carriers for the purpose of verifying
6 prescriber or dispenser registration for individuals that are part of the
7 health plan's network of providers.

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