Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 531 of the Regular Session

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H3/19/25	
2	95th General Assembly	A Bill	
3	Regular Session, 2025		HOUSE BILL 1798
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5	By: Representative Nazaren	ko	
6	By: Senator C. Penzo		
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled	
9	AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GREEN ENVELOPE PROGRAM; AND FOR		
10	OTHER PURPOSES.		
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13		Subtitle	
14	TO 1	ESTABLISH A GREEN ENVELOPE PROGRAM.	
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16	BE IT ENACTED BY THE	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF AF	KANSAS:
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18	SECTION 1. Ark	ansas Code Title 27, Chapter 15, Su	ubchapter l is amended
19	to add an additional section to read as follows:		
20	<u>27-15-103.</u> Leg	gislative intent — Green Envelope Pr	cogram.
21	<u>(a) The Genera</u>	al Assembly intends to establish a G	Green Envelope Program
22	<u>to ease communicatior</u>	n between an individual who is diagr	nosed with mental
23	illness and a law enforcement officer during any interaction, including		
24	<u>without limitation a</u>	motor vehicle-related interaction.	
25	<u>(b)(l) By Janu</u>	ary 1, 2026, the Department of Fina	ance and
26	Administration shall	develop and make available a specia	ally designed green
27	envelope that will he	old a driver's essential documents,	including without
28	limitation a driver's	license, vehicle registration, and	<u>l contact card.</u>
29	<u>(2) The</u>	green envelope developed under subs	section (b)(l) of this
30	section shall include	e communication guidelines on the ex	cterior of the green
31	envelope that are spe	ecifically tailored to assist a law	enforcement officer
32	in recognizing an ind	lividual with a mental illness and a	adapting his or her
33	approach when interacting with a individual with a mental illness.		
34	<u>(c) Beginning</u>	January 1, 2026, an individual diag	gnosed with a mental
35	<u>illness may request a</u>	a green envelope at his or her local	<u>l department office.</u>
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