Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 517 of the Regular Session

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5	By: Representative Farrer			
6	By: Senator K. Ingram			
7	By: Sonator II. Ingrain			
8	For An Act To Be Entitled			
9	AN ACT TO CONVERT THE HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT SYSTEMS			
10	UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO DIAGNOSIS-			
11	RELATED GROUP METHODOLOGY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.			
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14	Subtitle			
15	TO CONVERT THE HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT			
16	SYSTEMS UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID			
17	PROGRAM TO DIAGNOSIS-RELATED GROUP			
18	METHODOLOGY.			
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:			
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23	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is			
24	amended to add an additional section to read as follows:			
25	20-77-132. Diagnosis-related group methodology for hospitals.			
26	(a) As used in this section, "diagnosis-related group methodology"			
27	means a system of classification of diagnoses and procedures based on the			
28	International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical			
29	Modification, also known as ICD-10-CM, including without limitation:			
30	(1) The all-patient refined diagnosis-related groups system; and			
31	(2) The enhanced ambulatory procedure grouping system.			
32	(b) To the extent possible, the Department of Human Services shall			
33	convert the hospital rein	convert the hospital reimbursement systems under the Arkansas Medicaid		
34	Program to a diagnosis-re	Program to a diagnosis-related group methodology to allow more accurate		
35	classification of patient	$\underline{\text{classification of patient populations and description of mortality risks and}}$		
36	severity of patient illne	severity of patient illness.		

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(c)(1) The department shall promulgate rules to implement this		
section.		
(2) The rules adopted under subdivision (c)(1) of this section		
shall address:		
(A) How supplemental payments to hospitals shall be		
<pre>considered;</pre>		
(B) Whether funding for the transition from per diem		
reimbursement to diagnosis-related group methodology shall be provided to		
hospitals; and		
(C) Whether certain types of hospital providers shall be		
exempt from the diagnosis-related group methodology.		
(d)(l) The department, in coordination with the Arkansas Hospital		
Association, shall develop a plan for the conversion of the hospital		
reimbursement systems under the Arkansas Medicaid Program as described in		
subsection (b) of this section.		
(2) The conversion plan shall:		
(A) Include estimates of the impact of the conversion on		
all state and federal funds used for hospital payment, including without		
limitation any impact on critical-access hospitals; and		
(B) Be submitted to the Legislative Council for review or		
or before January 1, 2018.		
/s/Farrer		
APPROVED: 03/16/2017		