

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2009

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1620

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5 By: Representative Shelby  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND ANY  
10 WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS  
11 SAFETY-NET BENEFIT PROGRAM AND THE STATE EMPLOYEE  
12 AND PUBLIC SCHOOL PERSONNEL SELF-FUNDED HEALTH  
13 BENEFIT PLANS TO COMPLY WITH ARKANSAS'S PATIENT  
14 PROTECTION AND ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; AND FOR  
15 OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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18 TO CLARIFY THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND  
19 ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO REQUIRE  
20 THE STATE EMPLOYEE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL  
21 PERSONNEL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS TO COMPLY  
22 WITH ARKANSAS'S PATIENT PROTECTION AND  
23 ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS.  
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26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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28 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-99-801, concerning the entities required  
29 to comply with the state's any willing provider laws, is amended to add an  
30 additional subsection to read as follows:

31 (e) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, the Patient  
32 Protection Act of 1995, § 23-99-201 et seq., and this subchapter, apply to a  
33 health care provider network utilized by a self-funded health benefit plan  
34 provided by the State of Arkansas to state employees and public school  
35 personnel under § 21-5-401 et seq.  
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