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A Bill

SENATE BILL 813

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING A PRESCRIPTION FOR A TYPE OF MUSCLE
10 RELAXANT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF OBJECTIVE
11 FINDINGS ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; AND FOR
12 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 CONCERNING A PRESCRIPTION FOR A TYPE OF
16 MUSCLE RELAXANT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION
17 OF OBJECTIVE FINDINGS ENACTED BY
18 INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 11-9-102(16), concerning the definition of
25 "objective findings", is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as
26 follows:

27 (C)(1) For muscle spasms to constitute an objective
28 finding of injury, a specific diagnosis of palpable muscle spasms is
29 necessary.

30 (2) The presence of muscle spasms may not be
31 inferred from the diagnosis or the treatment that involves a prescription for
32 a type of muscle relaxant in the absence of objective findings.
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