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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1016

5 By: Representative Farrer
6 By: Senator K. Ingram
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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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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 reimbursement systems under the Arkansas Medicaid
34 Program to a diagnosis-related group methodology to allow more accurate
35 classification of patient populations and description of mortality risks and
36 severity of patient illness.



