Hall of the House of Representatives

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1935 TO ADDRESS LONG-TERM CARE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1935

Amend House Bill No. 1935 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 125, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-77-125. Eligibility for long-term care.

- (a) The eligibility determination regarding every applicant for longterm care nursing facility placement shall be made according to the criteria exactly as set forth in:
- (1) The Office of Long Term Care Procedures for Determination of Medical Need for Nursing Home Services, as it existed on January 1, 2013; and
- (2) The Medical Services Policy Manual of the Division of County Operations of the Department of Human Services, as it existed on January 1, 2013.
- (b) The eligibility determination criteria established under subsection (a) of this section and any part of subsection (a) of this section may be amended only by an act of the General Assembly, a referendum, or an initiated measure.
- (c) On and after the effective date of this section, if an individual is medically and financially eligible for placement in a long-term care nursing facility, the individual shall not be denied placement or removed from the facility nor shall payment be denied or reduced, based on a subsequent level of care determination inconsistent with the criteria set forth in the Office of Long Term Care Procedures for Determination of Medical Need for Nursing Home Services, as it existed on January 1, 2013."



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