## ARKANSAS SENATE 93rd General Assembly - Regular Session, 2021 Amendment Form

## Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 376

PROHIBITING THE DENIAL OF MEDICAL CARE TO A PERSON IN CUSTODY; TO PROVIDE FOR CIVIL AND CRIMINAL ACTIONS FOR DENYING MEDICAL CARE TO A PERSON IN CUSTODY; AND TO REQUIRE TRAINING.

## Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 376

Amend Senate Bill No. 376 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 36

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 10, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1)(A) If a person has reasonable cause to believe that he or she has been unlawfully denied medical care while he or she is being or has been held in custody, the person may bring a civil action in the circuit court with jurisdiction or, subject to the laws governing the federal judiciary, in a United States District Court to obtain appropriate equitable and declaratory relief.

(B) If authorized by the Arkansas Constitution, sovereign immunity is not a bar to an action under this section.

(2) The Prosecutor Coordinator shall establish a method that permits a person with knowledge about the denial of medical care to a person in custody to submit an anonymous and confidential complaint or report of that knowledge."



The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_\_ By: Senator L. Chesterfield BPG/BPG - 03-16-2021 10:02:11 BPG442

Secretary