Proposed Amendment to the Rules of the Arkansas Legislative Council

26. Submission of Contracts with Medicaid Providers.

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this rule, each transaction for consideration of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more entered into by a member or alternate member of the Legislative Council, his or her spouse, or any business in which such person or his or her spouse is an officer, a director, or a stockholder owning more than ten percent (10%) of the stock in the business shall be reported to the Legislative Council, when the transaction is with a Medicaid provider that is a hospital, insurance company, nursing home, behavioral health treatment center, substance abuse treatment center, or substance abuse crisis center.
- (b) Reporting under this rule shall not be required when the reporting would violate the protections and requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and its related regulations (HIPAA).
- (c) Any current member or alternate member of the Legislative Council who was a member or alternate member of the Legislative Council at any point dating back to January 1, 2013, shall report on any transactions as described in subsection (a) of this rule that occurred between January 1, 2013 and January 15, 2016. The report of these previous transactions shall be submitted to the Legislative Council no later than March 11, 2016.