

State of Arkansas

77th General Assembly

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

Third Extraordinary Session, 1989

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By: Representative Landers

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 20-8-106(a), RELATING TO  
HEALTH SERVICE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 20-8-106(a) is hereby amended by adding a new paragraph at the end thereof to read as follows:

"No permit shall be required to expand the territory of a certified home health agency, operated by an entity authorized by Act 345 of 1985 (a Community Action Agency) whose primary patients or clientele are low and moderate income persons."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that home health services, particularly those personal care services that are delivered by home health aides, are seriously lacking and unavailable to many low and moderate income persons in Arkansas and that it is important that these needed health services be provided on a timely basis to those in need. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.