

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

State of Arkansas

As Engrossed: H2/21/01 S3/8/01

83rd General Assembly

A Bill

Regular Session, 2001

HOUSE BILL 1105

By: Representative King

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR PERSONS
AGED SIXTY-FIVE (65) AND OVER WITH ASSETS UP TO
FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000) FOR A SINGLE
INDIVIDUAL AND SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,000) FOR
A MARRIED COUPLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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COUPLE.

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

SECTION 1. The General Assembly finds:

(1) That the income of many elderly Arkansans slightly exceeds the
Medicaid eligibility level;

(2) That without adequate health care, many elderly Arkansans will
develop more serious health problems, causing them to become debilitated and
resulting in loss of independence, higher health costs and possibly death; and

(3) That expanded Medicaid coverage would improve the health of elderly
Arkansans, extend their lives and reduce their health costs.

SECTION 2. When funds become available, the Department of Human

Services shall raise the resource eligibility limit for persons sixty-five (65) and over to four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for a single individual and six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for a married couple.

/s/ King