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A Bill

SENATE BILL 904

By: Senator T. Smith

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO
ISSUE AN ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING MALPRACTICE
RATES IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REQUIRE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO
ISSUE AN ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING
MALPRACTICE RATES IN ARKANSAS.

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

SECTION 1. Annual report regarding malpractice rates.

(a) The Insurance Commissioner shall conduct an annual study
malpractice insurance rates in Arkansas.

(b) The study shall include:

(1) A determination of how malpractice insurance rates have
changed during the prior year;

(2) Any other determination the commissioner deems relevant
regarding malpractice insurance rates; and

(3) Recommendations concerning changes to be made to laws
governing malpractice insurance.

(c)(1)(A) The commissioner shall annually report his or her findings
to the cochair of the Senate Committee on Insurance and Commerce and to the
cochair of the House Committee on Insurance and Commerce.

(B) If the General Assembly is not in session when the
commissioner delivers his or her report, the commissioner shall deliver the
report to the Arkansas Legislative Council.



1 (2) The commissioner shall deliver his or her first report no
2 later than October 31, 2003, and every year thereafter, shall deliver the
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