

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.

1 State of Arkansas
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5 By: Senator J. Jeffress
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 110

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO
10 FORM PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS OR
11 TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH EDUCATIONAL SERVICE
12 COOPERATIVES FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING
13 MEDICAID BILLING FOR MEDICALLY NECESSARY SERVICES
14 DELIVERED TO ARKANSAS SCHOOL CHILDREN; AND FOR
15 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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18 TO ENCOURAGE SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO
19 FORM PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER SCHOOL
20 DISTRICTS OR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS
21 WITH EDUCATIONAL SERVICE COOPERATIVES
22 FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING MEDICAID
23 BILLING.
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26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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28 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 10, Subchapter 1 is amended
29 to add an additional section to read as follows:

30 6-10-118. Medicaid billing.

31 (a) The Department of Education and the Division of Medical Services
32 of the Department of Human Services shall collaborate and cooperate to
33 rigorously apply federal and state special education requirements with regard
34 to the use of Medicaid to pay for medically necessary services delivered to a
35 child in accordance with child's individualized education program.

36 (b) The Special Education Section of the Department of Education shall



1 provide a mechanism for collaboration among the state's smaller school
2 districts and education service cooperatives in order to achieve some of the
3 advantages of economies of scale in billing for Medicaid services provided to
4 children through their schools. Collaboration may include the formation of
5 consortiums, partnerships, contractual arrangements, or other measures
6 designed to improve Medicaid billing in the schools beyond the resources of
7 any one (1) school district.

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