

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
2 87th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2009

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1998

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5 By: Representative L. Cowling
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PERMITS OF APPROVAL FOR
10 HOSPICES IN BORDER CITIES; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PERMITS OF APPROVAL
15 FOR HOSPICES IN BORDER CITIES.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. The purpose of this act is to provide
21 continuity of care only in hospices for persons who are terminally ill and
22 have a life expectancy of six (6) months if the disease runs its normal
23 course.
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25 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-7-117(c), concerning rules for hospices,
26 is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

27 (3) A hospice agency that was in operation on January 1, 2009,
28 in a border city that adjoins the Arkansas state line or is separated only by
29 a navigable river from an Arkansas city that adjoins the Arkansas state line
30 is not required to obtain a permit of approval from the commission to obtain
31 licensure in the State of Arkansas for a service area not to exceed the
32 adjoining Arkansas county.
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