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.

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5	By: Senator Madison		
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled		
9	AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 20 OF		
10	THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 ANNOTATED; AND FOR		
11	OTHER PURPOSES.		
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14	AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CORRECTIONS TO		
15	TITLE 20 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987		
16	ANNOTATED.		
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19	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:		
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21	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-7-116 is repealed because t	he Advisory	
22	Board for Perinatal Health Services was abolished by Acts 2007,	No. 153, §	3.
23	20-7-116. Perinatal health.		
24	(a)(1) There is created the Advisory Board for Perinatal	Health	
25	Services.		
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36	Department of Health and Human Services or a designee;		



1	(C) The Director of the Department of Health and Human
2	Services or a designee;
3	(H) The Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics and the
4	Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology of the University of
5	Arkansas for Medical Sciences; and
6	(I) Four (4) ex officio members, consisting of one (1)
7	member from each of the health system agencies.
8	(3) The board shall select from its membership a chair and a
9	vice chair.
10	(4) The board shall meet at least two (2) times each calendar
11	year on call of the chair.
12	(5) It shall be the duty and responsibility of the board to
13	develop a comprehensive statewide network of perinatal health care services
14	through coordination of planning, development, and implementation of
15	perinatal health programs and to recommend perinatal health care policies to
16	the Governor.
17	(6) The board shall report its findings and recommendations to
18	the Governor.
19	(7) The board's authority pursuant to this section shall be
20	advisory only.
21	(b)(1) There is created the Office of Perinatal Health to be within
22	the Division of Health of the Department of Health and Human Services.
23	(2) It shall be the responsibility of this office to develop a
24	regionalized system of perinatal services with the guidance and advice of the
25	board and under the authority of the Director of the Division of Health of
26	the Department of Health and Human Services.
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28	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-10-2106(2)(B) is amended to read as
29	follows to reorganize the subdivision for clarity:
30	(B) <u>(i)</u> These procedures shall include :
31	(i) A a form promulgated by the Department of Human
32	Services for use by a long-term care facility ; and <u>.</u>
33	(ii) The form shall be limited to one (1) page and
34	shall:
35	(a) Be orally read to the resident or, if
36	applicable, the resident's representative by long-term care facility staff

1 except as provided in this subdivision (2)(B)(ii); 2 (b) List the date; 3 (c) State the name of the resident or, if 4 applicable, the resident's representative; 5 Contain checkboxes indicating that: (d) 6 The office was notified of the (1)7 admission; 8 (2) The form was not read orally to the 9 resident or resident's representative because the resident lacks decisional 10 capacity and does not have a representative; and 11 (3) The resident or the resident's 12 representative declined the options counseling for long-term care; 13 (e) Contain a statement and an acknowledgment 14 that options counseling for long-term care is an optional program and may be 15 declined by execution of the form; 16 (f) Be signed by the resident or, if 17 applicable, the resident's representative; and 18 (g) Be retained by the long-term care facility in 19 the resident's admission file for eighteen (18) months or until the next standard survey, whichever is longer. 20 21 22 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 20-16-508(a)(1) is amended to read as 23 follows to rewrite the subdivision for clarity: 24 (a)(1) Consent to the provision of medical or surgical care or 25 services by a hospital or public clinic or consent to the performance of 26 medical or surgical care or services by a physician who is licensed to 27 practice medicine in this state, when the consent is executed by a minor who 2.8 has or believes himself or herself to have a sexually transmitted disease 29 shall be valid and binding as if the minor had achieved his or her majority. 30 Any consent shall not be subject to a later disaffirmance by reason of his or 31 her minority. When a minor who believes himself or herself to have a sexually 32 transmitted disease consents in writing to the provision of medical care or 33 surgical care or services by a hospital or public clinic or consents in 34 writing to the performance of medical care or surgical care or services by a 35 physician who is licensed to practice medicine in this state, the consent: (A) Is valid and binding as if the minor had achieved his 36

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1 or her majority; and 2 (B) Is not subject to a later disaffirmance by reason of 3 his or her minority. 4 5 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 20-16-903(b) is amended to read as follows 6 to reorganize the subdivision for clarity: 7 (b) Except in the case of a medical emergency, consent to an abortion 8 is voluntary and informed only if: 9 (1)(A) Prior to Before and in no event on the same day as the 10 abortion, the woman is told the following, by telephone or in person, by the 11 physician who is to perform the abortion, by a referring physician, or by an 12 agent of either physician: (A)(i) The name of the physician who will perform 13 14 the abortion; 15 (B)(ii) The medical risks associated with the 16 particular abortion procedure to be employed; 17 (C)(iii) The probable gestational age of the fetus 18 at the time the abortion is to be performed; 19 (D)(iv) The medical risks associated with carrying 20 the fetus to term; and 21 (E)(v) That a spouse, boyfriend, parent, friend, or 22 other person cannot force her to have an abortion;. 23 (2)(A)(i)(B) The information required by this subdivision 24 (b)(1) of this section: 25 (i) may be provided by telephone without conducting a 26 physical examination or tests of the woman. Shall be provided during a 27 consultation in which the physician or his or her agent is able to ask 28 questions of the woman and the woman is able to ask questions of the 29 physician; 30 (ii) (a) May be provided by telephone without conducting a physical <u>examination or tests on the woman.</u> 31 32 (b) If the information is supplied by 33 telephone, the information may be based both on facts supplied to the 34 physician or his or her agent by the woman and on whatever other relevant 35 information is reasonably available to the physician or his or her agent+; 36 and

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1 (B) The information required by subdivision (b)(1) of this 2 section may not be provided by a tape recording but shall be provided during 3 a consultation in which the physician or his or her agent is able to ask 4 questions of the woman and the woman is able to ask questions of the 5 physician. 6 (iii) Shall not be provided by a tape recording. 7 (C) If a physical examination, tests, or other new 8 information subsequently indicates the need in the medical judgment of the 9 physician for a revision of the information previously supplied to the woman, 10 that revised information may be communicated to the woman at any time prior to before the performance of the abortion. 11 12 (D) Nothing in this section may be construed to preclude This section does not preclude the provision of required information through 13 14 a translator in a language understood by the woman; 15 (3)(2)(A) Prior to Before and in no event on the same day as the 16 abortion, the woman is informed, by telephone or in person, by the physician 17 who is to perform the abortion, by a referring physician, or by an agent of 18 either physician: 19 (Λ) (i) That medical assistance benefits may be 20 available for prenatal care, childbirth, and neonatal care; 21 (B)(ii) That the father is liable to assist in the 22 support of her child, even in instances in which the father has offered to 23 pay for the abortion; 24 (C)(iii) That she has the option to review the 25 printed or electronic materials described in § 20-16-904 and that those 26 materials: 27 (i) (a) Have been provided by the State of 28 Arkansas state; and 29 (ii)(b) Describe the fetus and list agencies 30 that offer alternatives to abortion; and 31 (D)(iv) That if the woman chooses to exercise her 32 option to view the materials: 33 (i) (a) In a printed form, the materials shall 34 be mailed to her by a method chosen by her; or 35 (ii)(b) Via the Internet, she shall be 36 informed prior to before and in no event on the same day as the abortion of

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the specific address of the website where the materials can be accessed;. 1 2 (4)(B) The information required by subdivision 3 (b)(3)(b)(2) of this section may be provided by a tape recording if provision is made to record or otherwise register specifically whether the woman does 4 5 or does not choose to review the printed materials; 6 (5)(3) Prior to the termination of the pregnancy Before the 7 abortion, the woman certifies in writing that the information described in 8 subdivision (b)(1) of this section and her options described in subdivision 9 (b)(3)(b)(2) of this section have been furnished to her and that she has been 10 informed of her option to review the information referred to in subdivision 11 (b)(3)(C)(b)(2)(A)(iii) of this section; 12 (6)(4) Prior to Before the abortion, the physician who is to perform the procedure or the physician's agent receives a copy of the written 13 14 certification prescribed by subdivision (b)(5)(b)(3) of this section; and 15 (7)(5) Before the abortion procedure is performed, the physician 16 shall confirm confirms with the patient that she has received information 17 regarding: 18 (A) The medical risks associated with the particular 19 abortion procedure to be employed; 20 The probable gestational age of the unborn child fetus (B) 21 at the time the abortion is to be performed; 22 (C) The medical risks associated with carrying the fetus 23 to term; and 24 (D) That a spouse, boyfriend, parent, friend, or other 25 person cannot force her to have an abortion. 26 27 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 20-17-1029(b)(3) is amended to read as 28 follows to correct a term: 29 (3) Members shall biannually biennially elect a chair, a vice 30 chair, and a secretary from the membership, whose duties shall be those 31 customarily exercised by the officers or specifically designated by the 32 cemetery advisory board. 33 34 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 20-22-901(b) is amended to read as follows to further subdivide the subsection and to clarify the wording of the 35 36 subsection:

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1 (b)(1)(A) If the property is owned by a nonmember of the fire 2 district, then the volunteer fire department shall be entitled to may recover 3 from the nonmember property owner the reasonable value of its services. 4 (B) not to Recovery under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this 5 section shall not exceed the fair market value of the services rendered. 6 (2)(A) A claim for services in responding to a fire involving 7 only personal property shall be allowed only for personal property of 8 nonmembers. 9 (B) and the The claimed amount under subdivision (b)(2)(A) 10 of this section shall not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500). 11 SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 20-28-104 is amended to read as follows to 12 13 rewrite the section for clarity: 20-28-104. Annual fees Fees - Exceptions. 14 15 The Department of Health may collect the following annual fees (a) 16 from each public water system for service provided, other than plan reviews, 17 provided by the public water system supervision program: 18 (1) Community water systems and nontransient noncommunity water 19 systems: not more than thirty cents (30¢) per service connection per month; 20 (2) Noncommunity: One hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125); 21 (3) The minimum fee charged to a community water system or 22 nontransient noncommunity water system is two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) 23 per year; 24 (4) The number of service connections for nontransient 25 noncommunity water systems shall be calculated by dividing the population 26 served by two and one-half (2.5); 27 (5) The number of service connections for community public water 28 systems not serving discrete service connections shall be calculated by 29 dividing the population served by two and one-half (2.5). 30 (1)(A) For a community public water system and a nontransient 31 noncommunity water system, not more than thirty cents (30¢) per service 32 connection per month. 33 (B)(i) The number of service connections for a community 34 public water system not serving discrete service connections shall be 35 calculated by dividing the population served by two and one-half $(2\frac{1}{2})$. (ii) The number of service connections for a 36

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1 nontransient noncommunity water system shall be calculated by dividing the 2 population served by two and one-half $(2\frac{1}{2})$. 3 (C) The minimum fee charged to a community public water 4 system or a nontransient noncommunity water system is two hundred fifty 5 dollars (\$250) per year; and 6 (2) For a noncommunity public water system, one hundred twenty-7 five dollars (\$125) per year. 8 The number of service connections or population served shall be (b) 9 taken from the department's public water system inventory at the time of 10 billing. 11 (c)(1) New water systems will A new water system shall not be assessed 12 a fee for services until water is supplied to the first connection. 13 (2) All Each state-owned noncommunity public water systems are 14 system is exempt from the fee provisions of this chapter. 15 The fee fees shall be established by the State Board of Health to (d) 16 assure implementation of this chapter. 17 18 SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 20-47-229(c) is amended to read as follows 19 to correct a term: 20 (c) The restraint shall be implemented in accordance with safe and 21 appropriate restraint types and restraint techniques as determined by 22 hospital policy. 23 24 SECTION 9. The introductory language of Arkansas Code § 20-47-602(c) 25 is amended to read as follows to correct the word usage in the subsection: 26 (c) Each county jail shall adapt adopt the standard protocols to 27 assist law enforcement personnel and mental health personnel as follows: 28 29 SECTION 10. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 49, Subchapter 3 is 30 repealed because the subchapter was held unconstitutional by the Arkansas 31 Supreme Court in McKinney v. McKinney, 305 Ark. 13, 805 S.W.2d 66 (1991). 32 20-49-301. Request by parent or guardian. 33 (a) Notwithstanding any of the provisions of subchapter 2 of this 34 chapter and as an alternative provision to the probate court directives as 35 described in subchapter 2 of this chapter, it is recognized that obvious 36 hardship and environmental circumstances truly negate the protective measures

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1	intended in those sections.	
2	(b) It shall be considered lawful for a legal guardian, in the case o	
3	an adult judged to be incompetent, or a parent or guardian, in the case of a	
4	minor judged to be incompetent, to seek sterilization for their charges	
5	through direct medical channels.	
6	(c) An "incompetent" shall mean a person so defined in § 20-49-101(3)	
7	who resides in the state.	
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9	20-49-302. Certificate required.	
10	(a)(1) Before any sterilization procedure will be performed by a	
11	doctor of medicine, there must be filed with the approved hospital where the	
12	sterilization procedure is to be performed the certificate of three (3)	
13	doctors of medicine not engaged jointly in private practice. One (1) of the	
14	doctors shall be the person performing the sterilization, and the others	
15	shall be psychiatrists.	
16	(2) The certificate shall state that the doctors of medicine	
17	have examined the incompetent and certify in writing that the element of	
18	incompetence, as defined in § 20-49-101(3), is truly present and that they	
19	believe a sterilizing procedure is justified.	
20	(b) The sterilization committee of the licensed hospital shall review	
21	the certified statements of the three (3) physicians and approve or	
22	disapprove the request.	
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24	20-49-303. Performance in licensed hospital required.	
25	Sterilization procedures may be performed only in a hospital licensed	
26	by the State Board of Health and accredited by the Joint Commission on	
27	Accreditation of Hospitals.	
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29	20-49-304. Performance not mandatory — Liability.	
30	(a)(1) No person shall be required to perform or participate in a	
31	sterilizing procedure.	
32	(2) The refusal of any person to perform or participate in a	
33	sterilizing procedure shall not be a basis for civil liability to any person	
34	nor a basis for any disciplinary or any other recriminatory action against	
35	him or her.	
36	(b)(l) No hospital, hospital director, sterilization committee, or	

1 governing board shall be required to permit sterilization within its 2 institution. 3 (2) The refusal to permit the procedures shall not be grounds 4 for civil liability to any person nor a basis for any disciplinary or other 5 recriminatory action by the state or any person. 6 (c) Nothing contained in this section is intended to exempt from 7 liability any physician, nurse, or other person who, in his or her acts or 8 omission to act, is found to have failed to observe the standard of care 9 prescribed by law. 10 SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 20-76-105(b) is amended to read as follows 11 12 to clarify the wording of the subsection: 13 The board shall be composed of the following members: (b) 14 (1) The Director of the Department of Workforce Services; 15 (2) The Director of the Arkansas Workforce Investment Board; 16 (3) The Director of the Division of County Operations of the 17 Department of Human Services; (4)(A) Four (4) members to be appointed by the Governor. 18 19 (B) One (1) member appointed under subdivision (b)(4)(A) of this section shall be a current or former recipient of transitional 20 21 employment assistance or Aid to Families with Dependent Children; 22 (5) Two (2) members, one (1) to be One (1) member appointed by 23 the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and 24 (6) One (1) member to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore 25 of the Senate. 26 27 SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 20-76-107(a)(3)(A) is amended to read as 2.8 follows to correct a reference: 29 (A) How effective the program is in addressing each of the 30 transitional employment assistance outcomes as specified in $\frac{20-76-105(1)}{100}$ [Repealed] § 20-76-113 and progressing toward each of the annual targets set 31 32 for those outcomes and any measures that might be taken to improve its the 33 program's performance; 34 35 SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 20-76-112 is amended to read as follows to 36 correct a reference:

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20-76-112. Human Services Workers Workers in the School Schools 2 Program. 3 (a) The Human Services Workers in the School Schools Program is 4 established as a collaborative effort between among the Division of Children 5 and Family Services of the Department of Human Services, the Temporary 6 Assistance for Needy Families Oversight Board, the Department of Education, 7 and local school districts. The Human Services Workers in the School Schools 8 Program is designed to help children and families by: 9 (1) Promoting safety of children and strengthening of families; 10 (2) Supporting the community's capacity to produce children who 11 are healthy, children who are in supportive, nurturing, and healthy families, 12 and children who succeed in school; and 13 (3) Promoting the division's family preservation philosophy and 14 family-centered practice. 15 (b) Upon approval of the board, the division shall enter into 16 contracts with local school districts to provide funding for the maximum number of human services workers. 17 Human services workers A human services worker shall have a 18 (c) 19 bachelor's degree or a master's degree in social work or a related field and 20 shall provide the following services according to skills and training: 21 (1) Crisis intervention; 22 (2) School conferences and in-service training; 23 (3) Home visits; 24 (4) Transportation for family and student group counseling; 25 (5) Parent training and activities; 26 (6) Supportive service referrals; 27 (7) Individualized coping and conflict management skills; and 28 (8) Assessment of family and student needs. 29 (d)(1) Funding for human services workers shall be targeted to schools 30 with ninety percent (90%) or more of their children eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch program National School Lunch Program under the National School 31 32 Lunch Act. 33 The Department of Education and the division shall develop (2) 34 criteria to prioritize eligibility for the Human Services Workers in 35 the School Schools Program. 36 (e) The Human Services Worker in the School Program shall be evaluated

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1 annually by the The Coordinated Health Services Section of the Department of 2 Education shall evaluate the Human Services Workers in the Schools Program annually in coordination with the division, the board, and the local school 3 4 districts that hold contracts. 5 (f) A parent or a student has the option to refuse any services 6 recommended under this program the Human Services Workers in the Schools 7 Program. 8 9 SECTION 14. Arkansas Code § 20-76-438(b)(2)(E) is amended to read as follows to correct a reference: 10 11 (E) Consult with the Department of Human Services, the 12 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Oversight Board, and other state agencies and organizational experts to determine the most effective and 13 14 efficient organization for administration of the TEA program Transitional 15 Employment Assistance Program and make a recommendation to the Governor about 16 how to implement that administration no later than January 1, 2008; and 17 18 SECTION 15. Arkansas Code § 20-76-444(a)(2)(B) is amended to read as 19 follows to correct a reference: 20 (B) The administration of the Arkansas Work Pays Program 21 shall focus on promoting the transitional employment assistance outcomes 22 specified in <u>§ 20-76-105(1)</u> § 20-76-113. 23 24 SECTION 16. Arkansas Code § 20-77-306(d)(3) is amended to read as 25 follows to clarify the wording of the subdivision: 26 (3) Agree not to deny claims submitted by the department based on a failure to: 27 28 (A) Present A failure to present proper documentation of 29 coverage at the point of sale; or 30 (B) The date of submission of the claim if the claim is 31 submitted within three (3) years from the date on which the claimed item or 32 service was furnished. 33 SECTION 17. Arkansas Code § 20-77-1703(b)(1)(B) is amended to read as 34 35 follows to clarify the meaning of the subdivision by adding necessary 36 language:

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(B) Involved The error or omission involved a covered service; and SECTION 18. Arkansas Code § 20-82-208(a)(1)(E)(ii) is amended to read as follows to insert a necessary word: (ii) Reduced trauma to the children and their families; SECTION 19. Arkansas Code § 20-82-209(b)(1)(A) is amended to read as follows to clarify the wording of the subdivision: (1)(A) Prepare and issue a statewide model protocol for local multidisciplinary teams regarding investigations of child abuse and the provision of safety and services to victims of child abuse. SECTION 20. The enactment and adoption of this act shall not repeal, expressly or impliedly, the acts passed at the regular session of the 87th General Assembly. All such acts shall have full effect and, so far as those acts intentionally vary from or conflict with any provision contained in this act, those acts shall have the effect of subsequent acts and as amending or repealing the appropriate parts of the Arkansas Code of 1987.