## Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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HOUSE BILL 1765

By: Representative Wren

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PRIORITY OF THE MEDICAID PROGRAM TO RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THIRD PARTIES FOR CERTAIN MEDICAID COSTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PRIORITY OF THE MEDICAID PROGRAM TO RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THIRD PARTIES FOR CERTAIN MEDICAID COSTS.```
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 3 is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-77-314. Distribution of proceeds from a third-party settlement, judgment, award, or from other third-party payment.
(a) The Department of Human Services is entitled to reimbursement for medical assistance payments from that portion of a third-party settlement, judgment, award or from any other third-party payment that compensates for the medical expenses.
(b) The department is entitled to receive the full amount of its medical assistance claim under this subchapter unless the portion of the third-party settlement, judgment, award, or other third-party payment that compensates for the medical expenses is less than the full amount of the department's medical assistance claim.
(c) The department's claim for medical assistance payments under this subchapter has priority over any claim by a medical care provider.
(d) The department's rights under this subchapter are not extinguished by any right possessed, asserted, or not asserted by a medical assistance recipient or other person.
/s/Wren

