| 1 | State of Arkansas | As Engrossed: H3/4/11 S3/17/1. $f A~Bill$ | 1 |
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| 2 | 88th General Assembly | A Bill | |
| 3 | Regular Session, 2011 | | HOUSE BILL 1765 |
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| 5 | By: Representative Wren | | |
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| 7 | For An Act To Be Entitled | | |
| 8 | AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PRIORITY OF THE MEDICAID | | |
| 9 | PROGRAM TO RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THIRD PARTIES | | |
| 10 | FOR CERTA | IN MEDICAID COSTS; AND FOR OTH | HER PURPOSES. |
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| 15 | MEDI | CAID PROGRAM TO RECEIVE REIMB | URSEMENT |
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| 20 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE | GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE | OF ARKANSAS: |
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| 22 | SECTION 1. Ark | ansas Code Title 20, Chapter 7 | 77, Subchapter 3 is amended |
| 23 | to add an additional | section to read as follows: | |
| 24 | 20-77-314. Dis | tribution of proceeds from a t | third-party settlement, |
| 25 | judgment, award, or f | rom other third-party payment. | <u>.</u> |
| 26 | (a) The Depart | ment of Human Services is enti | itled to reimbursement for |
| 27 | <i>past medical</i> assistan | ce payments from that portion | of a third-party |
| 28 | settlement, judgment, | award or from any other third | l-party payment that |
| 29 | compensates for the m | edical expenses. | |
| 30 | (b) The depart | ment is entitled to receive th | ne full amount of its |
| 31 | medical assistance cl | aim under this subchapter unle | ess the portion of the |
| 32 | third-party settlemen | t, judgment, award, or other t | third-party payment that |
| 33 | compensates for the m | edical <i>expenses</i> is less than t | the full amount of the |
| 34 | department's medical | assistance claim. | |
| 35 | (c) The depart | ment's claim for medical assis | stance payments under this |
| 36 | subchapter has priori | ty over any claim by a medical | l care provider. |

| 1 | (d) The department's rights under this subchapter are not extinguished |
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| 2 | by any right possessed, asserted, or not asserted by a medical assistance |
| 3 | recipient or other person. |
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