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8 ## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 *AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT EACH WOMAN WHO GIVES BIRTH IN A*

10 *HOSPITAL OR A FREE-STANDING BIRTHING CLINIC RECEIVES*

11 *EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESCRIBING THE NATURE OF, THE*

12 *DANGERS OF, AND METHODS FOR THE PREVENTION OF SHAKEN*

13 *BABY SYNDROME BEFORE THE WOMAN IS DISCHARGED; AND FOR*

14 *OTHER PURPOSES.*

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17 ## Subtitle

18 *AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT EACH WOMAN WHO*

19 *GIVES BIRTH IN A MEDICAL FACILITY*

20 *RECEIVES EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESCRIBING*

21 *SHAKEN BABY SYNDROME BEFORE THE WOMAN IS*

22 *DISCHARGED.*

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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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27   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1 is amended

28 to add an additional section to read as follows:

29   20-9-102. Shaken baby syndrome educational materials.

30   (a) A hospital or a free-standing birthing clinic shall ensure that

31 each woman who gives birth in a hospital or a free-standing birthing clinic

32 receives educational materials before being discharged describing the nature

33 of, the dangers of, and methods for the prevention of shaken baby syndrome.

34   (b) The Department of Health shall develop and disseminate the

35 required materials under subsection (a) of this section to hospitals and

36 free-standing birthing clinics in the state.

1   *(c)(1) The department may adopt rules to implement this section.*
2   *(2) The rules adopted under subdivision (c)(1) of this section*
3   *shall include without limitation rules establishing procedures for reporting*
4   *compliance with this section.*
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6   */s/P. Malone*
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