

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

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# A Bill

3 Regular Session, 2015

HOUSE BILL 1543

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT CONCERNING COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE  
15 HOUSING OF INMATES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION OR  
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION; AND FOR OTHER  
17 PURPOSES.

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## Subtitle

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22 THE HOUSING OF INMATES BY THE DEPARTMENT  
23 OF CORRECTION OR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
24 COMMUNITY CORRECTION.

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

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29 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-27-114(c), concerning the rules adopted  
30 by the Board of Corrections to reimburse a county jail for housing a state  
31 inmate, is amended to read as follows:

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*(c)(1) The Board of Corrections shall adopt ~~regulations~~ rules by which  
the Department of Correction or the Department of Community Correction may  
reimburse any county, which is required to retain an inmate awaiting delivery  
to the custody of either the Department of Correction or the Department of  
Community Correction ~~for more than thirty (30) days~~ upon receipt of a correct*



1 sentencing order, for the actual costs paid for any emergency medical care  
2 for physical injury or illness of the inmate retained under this section if  
3 the injury or illness is directly related to the incarceration and the county  
4 is required by law to provide the care for inmates in the jail.

5 (2) The Director of the Department of Correction or his or her  
6 designee or the Director of the Department of Community Correction or his or  
7 her designee may accept custody of any inmate as soon as possible upon  
8 request of the county upon determining that the inmate is required to have  
9 extended medical care.

10 (3)(A) Reimbursements for medical expenses shall require prior  
11 approval of the Department of Correction or the Department of Community  
12 Correction before the rendering of health care.

13 (B)(i) In a true emergency situation, health care may be  
14 rendered without prior approval.

15 (ii) The Department of Correction or the Department  
16 of Community Correction shall be notified of a true emergency situation as  
17 soon as possible and no later than twenty (24) hours after the true emergency  
18 situation.

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