

1 State of Arkansas
2 91st General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2017
4

A Bill

SENATE BILL 434

5 By: Senator B. King
6

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REMOVE THE ENROLLMENT CAPS IN THE LIVING
9 CHOICES ASSISTED LIVING MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAM; AND
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
11
12

Subtitle

14 TO REMOVE THE ENROLLMENT CAPS IN THE
15 LIVING CHOICES ASSISTED LIVING MEDICAID
16 WAIVER PROGRAM.
17
18

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
20

21 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative purpose.

22 It is the intent of the General Assembly to remove the enrollment caps
23 in the Living Choices Assisted Living Medicaid Waiver Program.
24

25 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-10-1704(g), concerning the assisted
26 living program, is amended to read as follows:

27 (g)(1) The department shall take all actions necessary to develop a
28 ~~home-~~ home and community-based care waiver application in accordance with §
29 1915(c) of the Social Security Act.

30 (2) The waiver application shall seek federal financial
31 participation to increase access to services in assisted living facilities by
32 raising Medicaid income and resource limits to the maximum eligibility level
33 of other ~~home-~~ home and community-based waivers in effect.

34 (3) The waiver application shall seek permission to serve a
35 minimum of one thousand (1,000) persons at a time and an unlimited maximum
36 amount of persons at a time and shall be submitted to the Centers for



1 Medicare & and Medicaid Services by ~~June 30, 2001~~ October 31, 2017.

2 (4) The department's implementation of the waiver shall be
3 reasonable and shall not have the effect of excluding residential care
4 facilities which have become assisted living facilities under the provisions
5 of this subchapter.

6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36