For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REMOVE BARRIERS TO THE RELEASE OF DATA IN THE ARKANSAS CENTRAL CANCER REGISTRY TO QUALIFIED CANCER RESEARCHERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-15-203 is amended to read as follows:


(a) Information accumulated and maintained in the Arkansas Central Cancer Registry shall not be divulged except for statistical information which does not identify individuals and for purposes of such research as approved by the State Board of Health by a qualified researcher.

(b) As used in this section, "qualified researcher" means a researcher from a recognized institution, including without limitation an academic, state or federal government, or nonprofit nongovernmental institution, and who is adequately trained about conditions where names and identities of individuals are appropriately protected while conducting research for the purposes of cancer prevention, control, and treatment.

/s/Ladyman