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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1585

5 By: Representative Penzo  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN HEALTHCARE  
9 PROVIDERS TO HAVE A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK; AND  
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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13 TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN  
14 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO HAVE A CRIMINAL  
15 BACKGROUND CHECK.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-38-101(9), concerning the definition of  
22 "service provider" regarding criminal background checks, is amended to read  
23 as follows:

24 (9) "Service provider" means any of the following:

25 (A) An Alternative Community Services Waiver Program  
26 provider certified by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services ~~of~~  
27 ~~the Department of Human Services;~~

28 (B) A childcare facility as defined by § 20-78-202;

29 (C) A church-exempt childcare facility as recognized under  
30 § 20-78-209;

31 (D) An early intervention program provider certified by  
32 the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services ~~of the Department of~~  
33 ~~Human Services;~~

34 (E) A home- and community-based health services provider  
35 certified by the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services of  
36 the Department of Human Services;



- 1 (F) A home healthcare service under § 20-10-801;
- 2 (G) A hospice program under § 20-7-117;
- 3 (H) A long-term care facility as defined by § 20-10-702;
- 4 ~~or~~
- 5 (I) A nonprofit community program as defined by § 20-48-
- 6 101; ~~and~~
- 7 (J) An entity that provides personal care services to
- 8 individuals;
- 9 (K) A long-term care facility under § 20-10-1202; or
- 10 (L) An entity that provides services to or houses teens
- 11 and youths; and
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