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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1759

5 By: Representative L. Johnson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR
9 CHILDREN, PREGNANT WOMEN, AND POSTPARTUM MOTHERS AND
10 BABIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL MEDICAID COVERAGE
14 FOR CHILDREN, PREGNANT WOMEN, AND
15 POSTPARTUM MOTHERS AND BABIES.
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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 Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 11, is
22 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 20-77-1106. Additional Medicaid coverage for children, pregnant women,
24 and postpartum women and babies.

25 (a) The Department of Human Services shall take necessary action,
26 including without limitation submitting and applying for a state plan
27 amendment or waiver, to obtain federal approval for the following revisions
28 to the Arkansas Medicaid Program:

29 (1) Provide twelve-month continuous eligibility for children's
30 coverage under the ARKids First A Program to keep children from losing
31 coverage;

32 (2) Provide presumptive eligibility coverage for pregnant women
33 and children; and

34 (3) Adopt one-year postpartum Medicaid coverage for mothers and
35 babies.

36 (b) The department shall promulgate rules to administer this section.

