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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1128

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

8 AN ACT TO ALLOW EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDERS TO BE
9 *LICENSED*; TO AUTHORIZE EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDERS
10 TO BE REIMBURSED BY INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THE
11 ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 *BE LICENSED; AND TO AUTHORIZE EMERGENCY*
17 *MEDICAL RESPONDERS TO BE REIMBURSED BY*
18 *INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THE ARKANSAS*
19 *MEDICAID PROGRAM.*
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-13-202(7), concerning the definition of
25 "emergency medical services personnel" within the Emergency Medical Services
26 Act, is amended to read as follows:

27 (7)(A) "Emergency medical services personnel" means an
28 individual licensed by the department at any level established by the rules
29 adopted by the State Board of Health under this subchapter and authorized to
30 perform those services set forth in the rules.

31 (B) These shall include without limitation emergency
32 medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical
33 technician, paramedic, emergency medical services instructor, or emergency
34 medical services instructor trainer;
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36 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 13, Subchapter 2, is



1 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

2 20-13-219. Emergency medical responders.

3 (a) The Department of Health shall establish a voluntary licensure
4 program for emergency medical responders.

5 (b) An emergency medical responder may be reimbursed by the Arkansas
6 Medicaid Program and an insurance company for providing emergency medical
7 services in the scope of his or her employment as an emergency medical
8 responder.

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/s/L. Johnson

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