

State of Arkansas

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## A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1332

By: Representative Pilkington

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO  
COVER GLUCAGON-LIKE PEPTIDE-1 RECEPTOR AGONISTS, ALSO  
KNOWN AS GLP-1 AGONISTS, WHEN PRESCRIBED FOR WEIGHT  
LOSS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

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AGONISTS, WHEN PRESCRIBED FOR WEIGHT  
LOSS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is  
amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-77-154. Glucagon-like peptide receptor agonists for weight loss.

(a) No later than the date of issuance of a final federal rule  
resulting from the proposed federal rule published as Medicare and Medicaid  
Programs: Contract Year 2026 Policy and Technical Changes to the Medicare  
Advantage Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Program, Medicare Cost  
Plan Program, and Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly, 89 Fed.  
Reg. 90.340 (December 10, 2024), the Arkansas Medicaid Program shall cover  
glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists, also known as GLP-1 agonists, when  
prescribed for weight loss.

(b) The Department of Human Services shall apply for any federal  
waiver, state plan amendment, or other authorization necessary to implement



this section.

*/s/Pilkington*