1	State of Arkansas
2	95th General Assembly A Bill
3	Regular Session, 2025SENATE BILL 347
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5	By: Senator C. Penzo
6	By: Representative J. Mayberry
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO
10	INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR CERTAIN DENTAL
11	SERVICES AND TO SET AN ANNUAL REIMBURSEMENT CAP FOR
12	ADULT DENTAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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19	ANNUAL REIMBURSEMENT CAP FOR ADULT
20	DENTAL SERVICES.
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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 Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is
25	amended to add an additional section to read as follows:
26	<u> 20-77-154. Dental services reimbursement — Adult with special needs</u>
27	dental services cap.
28	(a) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall increase over three (3) years
29	reimbursement rates for dental services for oral surgery services including
30	anesthesia, pediatric services, and dental services for adults with special
31	needs as follows:
32	(1) In the first year beginning on September 1, 2025, the
33	reimbursement rate shall be set to sixty percent (60%) of the fiftieth
34	percentile for national fees as determined by the annual Original National
35	Dental Advisory Service Comprehensive Fee Report adjusted for the state;
36	(2) In the second year, the reimbursement rate shall be set to



1	eighty percent (80%) of the fiftieth percentile for national fees as
2	determined by the annual Original National Dental Advisory Service
3	Comprehensive Fee Report adjusted for the state; and
4	(3) In the third year and all following years, the reimbursement
5	rate shall be set to the fiftieth percentile for national fees as determined
6	by the annual Original National Dental Advisory Service Comprehensive Fee
7	Report adjusted for the state.
8	(b) The program shall increase over three (3) years the annual
9	reimbursement cap for dental services for adults with special needs as
10	follows:
11	(1) In the first year beginning on September 1, 2025, one
12	thousand dollars (\$1,000);
13	(2) In the second year, one thousand two hundred fifty dollars
14	<u>(\$1,250); and</u>
15	(3) In the third year and all following years, one thousand five
16	hundred dollars (\$1,500).
17	(c) The Department of Human Services shall apply for any federal
18	waiver, Medicaid state plan amendment, or other authorization necessary to
19	implement this section.
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