

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.  
Act 1033 of the Regular Session

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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1491

By: Representatives Miller, Beck, Della Rosa, Eubanks, Payton, Rushing, Rye, Sullivan  
By: Senators K. Hammer, B. Sample

**For An Act To Be Entitled**

AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE WAITING LIST FOR THE  
ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES WAIVER PROGRAM, ALSO  
KNOWN AS THE "DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WAIVER"; AND  
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**Subtitle**

TO ELIMINATE THE WAITING LIST FOR THE  
ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES WAIVER  
PROGRAM, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "DEVELOPMENTAL  
DISABILITIES WAIVER".

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:

20-77-135. Elimination of waiting list.

(a) The Department of Human Services shall eliminate the waiting list as existing on March 1, 2019, for the Alternative Community Services Waiver Program, also known as the "Developmental Disabilities Waiver", or successor program.

(b) The department shall meet the requirements of subsection (a) of this section as soon as possible but no later than three (3) years after the effective date of this section by using available funding streams, unless the department determines that an adequate number of providers for individuals with developmental disabilities does not exist within the state.

(c) An individual who applies for coverage or enrolls in the program



after March 1, 2019, may be placed on a waiting list if the department determines that adequate funding streams or resources are not available at the time of application or enrollment.

/s/Miller

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