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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1542

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO  
OBTAIN CERTAIN RECORDS WITHOUT CHARGE; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
TO OBTAIN CERTAIN RECORDS WITHOUT CHARGE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-12-1712(c), concerning photographs and x-rays that must be sent to the Department of Human Services, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) Any photograph or x-ray taken under this section shall be sent to the Department of Human Services as soon as possible.

(2) The department is not required to pay for a photograph or x-ray or a copy of a photograph or x-ray taken under this section.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 12-12-1714(c), concerning records that must be made available to the Department of Human Services for the purpose of conducting an investigation under the Adult and Long-Term Care Facility Resident Maltreatment Act, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(2) The department is not required to pay for a copy of a medical, mental health, financial, or other record that is provided to the department under this subsection.



SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 28-65-705, concerning bonds and fees that are not required in connection with public guardian services, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(c) The Department of Human Services is not required to pay for a copy of medical, mental health, financial, or other records that relate to a ward who is under the guardianship of a Public Guardian for Adults.

**APPROVED: 4/12/19**