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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1585

By: Representative Penzo

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO HAVE A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO HAVE A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-38-101(9), concerning the definition of "service provider" regarding criminal background checks, is amended to read as follows:

(9) "Service provider" means any of the following:

- (A) An Alternative Community Services Waiver Program provider certified by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services ~~of the Department of Human Services;~~
- (B) A childcare facility as defined by § 20-78-202;
- (C) A church-exempt childcare facility as recognized under § 20-78-209;
- (D) An early intervention program provider certified by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services ~~of the Department of Human Services;~~
- (E) A home- and community-based health services provider certified by the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services of the Department of Human Services;



- (F) A home healthcare service under § 20-10-801;
- (G) A hospice program under § 20-7-117;
- (H) A long-term care facility as defined by § 20-10-702;

or

- (I) A nonprofit community program as defined by § 20-48-

101; and

- (J) An entity that provides personal care services to

individuals;

- (K) A long-term care facility under § 20-10-1202; or

- (L) An entity that provides services to or houses teens

and youths; and

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