

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 813

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING A PRESCRIPTION FOR A TYPE OF MUSCLE RELAXANT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF OBJECTIVE FINDINGS ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

CONCERNING A PRESCRIPTION FOR A TYPE OF MUSCLE RELAXANT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF OBJECTIVE FINDINGS ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 11-9-102(16), concerning the definition of "objective findings", is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(C)(1) For muscle spasms to constitute an objective finding of injury, a specific diagnosis of palpable muscle spasms is necessary.

(2) The presence of muscle spasms may not be inferred from the diagnosis or the treatment that involves a prescription for a type of muscle relaxant in the absence of objective findings.

