

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

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HOUSE BILL 1543

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By: Senators Hester, J. Woods

### **For An Act To Be Entitled**

AN ACT CONCERNING COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE HOUSING OF INMATES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION OR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### **Subtitle**

CONCERNING COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE HOUSING OF INMATES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION OR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-27-114(c), concerning the rules adopted by the Board of Corrections to reimburse a county jail for housing a state inmate, is amended to read as follows:

*(c)(1) The Board of Corrections shall adopt ~~regulations~~ rules by which the Department of Correction or the Department of Community Correction may reimburse any county, which is required to retain an inmate awaiting delivery to the custody of either the Department of Correction or the Department of Community Correction ~~for more than thirty (30) days~~ upon receipt of a correct*



sentencing order, for the actual costs paid for any emergency medical care for physical injury or illness of the inmate retained under this section if the injury or illness is directly related to the incarceration and the county is required by law to provide the care for inmates in the jail.

(2) The Director of the Department of Correction or his or her designee or the Director of the Department of Community Correction or his or her designee may accept custody of any inmate as soon as possible upon request of the county upon determining that the inmate is required to have extended medical care.

(3)(A) Reimbursements for medical expenses shall require prior approval of the Department of Correction or the Department of Community Correction before the rendering of health care.

(B)(i) In a true emergency situation, health care may be rendered without prior approval.

(ii) The Department of Correction or the Department of Community Correction shall be notified of a true emergency situation immediately after the true emergency situation

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