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A Bill

SENATE BILL 344

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ADD AN EXCEPTION FROM NURSING LICENSURE TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES OF A CITY OR COUNTY DETENTION CENTER TO DRAW AND MEASURE GLUCAGON OR INSULIN FOR A PERSON WHO IS INCARCERATED OR IN CUSTODY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-87-103, concerning exceptions from nursing licensure, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(14)(A) The drawing and measuring of glucagon or insulin, or both, a trained employee of a city or county detention center for a person who:

(i) Is currently incarcerated or otherwise in custody of the city or county detention center; and

(ii) Has a confirmed diagnosis of diabetes.

(B) The drawing and measuring of glucagon or insulin shall be based on the orders of a treating licensed medical professional with



prescribing privileges, and the employee of the county jail or detention center shall be trained in accordance with subdivision (14)(C) of this section.

(C) A licensed registered nurse or other healthcare professional who is an employee or independent contractor of the city or county detention center shall annually train employees designated by the city or county detention center as employees who may draw or measure glucagon or insulin in accordance with this subdivision (14).