

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

State of Arkansas
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1787

By: Representative Pilkington

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO
MAKE PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS FOR
PREGNANT WOMEN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID
PROGRAM TO MAKE PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY
DETERMINATIONS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-77-148. Presumptive eligibility for pregnant women.

(a) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall make presumptive eligibility determinations for pregnant women who are applying for the program to improve access to prenatal care and allow prenatal care to be delivered immediately while waiting for a full application to be processed.

(b) The program may designate one (1) or more qualified entities to screen for eligibility and immediately enroll pregnant women into the program.

