

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

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1008

By: Representatives A. Collins, T. Shephard, Springer, Gonzales Worthen, Barnett

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR POSTPARTUM
MOTHERS FOR ONE YEAR AFTER GIVING BIRTH; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REQUIRE MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR
POSTPARTUM MOTHERS FOR ONE YEAR AFTER
GIVING BIRTH.

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:

20-77-154. Extension of one year for postpartum coverage.

(a) The Department of Human Services shall:

(1) Extend postpartum Medicaid coverage for mothers to one (1) year in duration; and

(2) Take necessary action, including without limitation submitting and applying for a state plan amendment or waiver, to obtain federal approval to adopt one-year postpartum Medicaid coverage for mothers who have recently given birth.

(b) The department shall promulgate rules to administer this section.

/s/A. Collins

