

Hall of the House of Representatives

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1348

TO ESTABLISH A STATE AUDIT PROCESS CONCERNING QUALIFIED PAYMENT AMOUNTS; AND TO
ENHANCE TRANSPARENCY BY RELEASING STATE AUDIT RESULTS.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1348

Amend House Bill No. 1348 as originally introduced:

Delete the title in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
STATE AUDIT PROCESS CONCERNING QUALIFIED
PAYMENT AMOUNTS; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP A STATE
AUDIT PROCESS CONCERNING QUALIFIED
PAYMENT AMOUNTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STATE
AUDIT PROCESS CONCERNING QUALIFIED
PAYMENT AMOUNTS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE
STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP A
STATE AUDIT PROCESS CONCERNING QUALIFIED
PAYMENT AMOUNTS."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 66, Subchapter 2, is
amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23-66-216. Qualified payment amount – State audit process – Rules.

(a) The State Insurance Department shall develop a state audit process
to ensure compliance with the requirements in the No Surprises Act of the
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-260, related to the
calculation of a qualified payment amount.



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

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Rules.

(a) When adopting the initial rules required under this act, the State Insurance Department shall file the final rules with the Secretary of State for adoption under § 25-15-204(f):

(1) On or before January 1, 2024; or

(2) If approval under § 10-3-309 has not occurred by January 1, 2024, as soon as practicable after approval under § 10-3-309.

(b) The department shall file the proposed rules with the Legislative Council under § 10-3-309(c) sufficiently in advance of January 1, 2024, so that the Legislative Council may consider the rules for approval before January 1, 2024."

The Amendment was read _____

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