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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1787

5 By: Representative Pilkington
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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

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13 TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID
14 PROGRAM TO MAKE PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY
15 DETERMINATIONS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is
22 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 20-77-148. Presumptive eligibility for pregnant women.

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

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