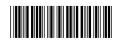
1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H1/16/25		
2	95th General Assembly	A Bill		
3	Regular Session, 2025		HOUSE BILL 1032	
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled			
9	AN ACT TO BAN CONVERSION THERAPY; AND FOR OTHER			
10	PURPOSES.			
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14	TO BAN CONVERSION THERAPY.			
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16	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:			
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18	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1, is amended			
19	to add an additional section to read as follows:			
20	20-9-106. Ban on conversion therapy.			
21	(a) As used in this section:			
22	(1)(A) "Conversion therapy" means any practice or treatment			
23	administered to a person that seeks to change the person's sexual orientation			
24	or gender identity, including without limitation efforts to change behaviors			
25	or gender expressions or to eliminate or reduce sexual or romantic			
26	attractions or feelings toward persons of the same gender.			
27	(B) "Conversion therapy" does not include counseling that			
28	does not seek to change a person's sexual orientation or gender identity and:			
29	(i) Assists a person undergoing a gender transition;			
30	(ii) Provides acceptance, support, and understanding			
31	<u>to a person; or</u>			
32	(iii) Facilitates a person's coping, social support,			
33	or identity exploration and development, including sexual orientation-neutral			
34	intervention to prevent or address unlawful conduct or unsafe sexual			
35	practices; and			
36	<u>(</u> 2) "Hea	althcare professional" means a person	who is licensed,	



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l certified, or otherwise authorized by the laws of this state to administer		
health care in the ordinary course of the practice of his or her profession.		
(b) A healthcare professional shall not engage in conversion therapy.		
(c) A healthcare professional who engages in conversion therapy is		
subject to disciplinary action by the licensing, certifying, or authorizing		
state entity, including without limitation suspension or revocation of his or		
her license, certificate, or authorization.		
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