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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1008

5 By: Representative A. Collins
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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

15 TO REQUIRE MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR
16 POSTPARTUM MOTHERS FOR ONE YEAR AFTER
17 GIVING BIRTH.
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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 20-77-154. Extension of one year for postpartum coverage.

24 (a) The Department of Human Services shall:

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

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

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