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A Bill

SENATE BILL 301

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO SHARE
10 IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY DATA WITH FEDERAL, STATE, AND
11 LOCAL JURISDICTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 SHARE IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY DATA WITH
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-15-1202 is amended to read as follows:
23 20-15-1202. Statewide immunization registry.

24 (a)(1) The Department of Health shall establish a statewide
25 immunization registry.

26 (2) Immunization records shall include data as specified by the
27 department.

28 (b) The department may make information ~~regarding the immunization~~
29 ~~status of children~~ in the registry available to the parents or guardians of a
30 child, to providers who report on the immunization status of children in
31 their care, and to such other persons or organizations designated by rule of
32 the State Board of Health.

33 (c) The board shall adopt rules to implement this subchapter,
34 including provisions for confidentiality of medical information.

35 (d) The department may enter into data-sharing agreements with
36 federal, state, and local jurisdictions as well as the nations that are part



1 of the Compact of Free Association islands to ensure effective surveillance
2 and better immunization planning.

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