

1 State of Arkansas  
2 89th General Assembly  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 803

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5 By: Senator B. Pierce

## For An Act To Be Entitled

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8 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CORRECTION TO  
9 IMPLEMENT A COPAY CHARGE FOR INMATE-INITIATED HEALTH  
10 CARE REQUESTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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14 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CORRECTION TO  
15 IMPLEMENT A COPAY CHARGE FOR INMATE-  
16 INITIATED HEALTH CARE REQUESTS.

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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 § 12-29-401(c), concerning medical care of  
22 inmates, is amended to read as follows:

23 (c)(1) The Board of Corrections is authorized to establish and  
24 maintain facilities for health, medical, mental health, and dental services  
25 for each institution in the Department of Correction and the Department of  
26 Community Correction, including preventive, diagnostic, and therapeutic  
27 measures on both an outpatient and inpatient basis for all types of patients,  
28 and to hire physicians and other health care professionals.

29 (2) The board may also implement copay charges for inmate-  
30 initiated health care requests.

