

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
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Act, §	Description of Act	Rule Name and Cite	Rule change needed	Action
425, § 5	Creates the Pharmacy Nondiscrimination Act. Prohibits a PBM from denying a pharmacy the opportunity to participate in the PBM's network if the pharmacy has an Arkansas license and agrees to accept "relevant and reasonable terms of participation."	Pharmacy Benefits Managers Rule, 23 CAR pt 146	Amend rule to include a hearing process for disputes relating to pharmacy participation in pharmacy benefits manager networks.	Going through approval process.
427, § 2	Creates the Strengthen Arkansas Homes program through which Arkansas consumers may apply for grants to fortify their owner-occupied residences against damage from catastrophic wind events and hail.	N/A	Act requires AID to adopt rules for construction standards and eligibility requirements for receipt of funds.	Going through approval process
514, § 4	Amends the Arkansas Pharmacy Benefits Manager Licensure Act to define and prohibit "unfair and deceptive acts or practices."	Pharmacy Benefits Managers Rule, 23 CAR pt 146	Amend rule to establish timelines for complaints and appeals.	Going through approval process
633, § 2	Amends the Arkansas Pharmacy Benefits Manager Licensure Act so that initial and renewal application fees for a PBM license will be \$20,000.	Pharmacy Benefits Managers Rule, 23 CAR pt 146	Amend rule to include updated licensing fees.	Going through approval process

773, § 1	Requires AID to establish a program regulating pharmacy services administrative organizations (PSAOs).	Pharmacy Benefits Manager Rule, 23 CAR pt 146	Amend rule to add licensing fees, application	Going through approval process
775, § 5	Establishes prohibited PBM contracting practices and adds new penalties for violations of the PBM Licensure Act.	Pharmacy Benefits Manager Rule, 23 CAR pt 146	Amend rule to add penalties.	Going through approval process