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**GROUP DISABILITY INSURANCE AND  
GOVERNMENT INSURANCE PLANS**

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Act 806, to be effective July 19, 1979, amends Ark. Stat. Ann. § 66-3709 to include government insurance plans in the term "other like insurance." Bulletin 13-79, dated July 11, 1979, outlined the effect regarding Social Security Disability benefits. Bulletin 13A-79 addresses the effect of Act 806 regarding government health insurance plans such as Medicare and Champus. Ark. Stat. Ann. § 66-3709 provides the conditions under which benefits may be reduced or denied due to the existence of other like insurance. Act 806 provides in effect that the method used by a group health benefit plan to determine the benefits to be paid when government health insurance coverage also exists shall be the same method used by the group health benefit plan when other group health benefit coverage exists. Act 806 does not mandate the coverages which may be offered.

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