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2025

ARKANSAS SENATE

95th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Regular Session

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

NOON

MONDAY, 12:00 NOON

JANUARY 13, 2025

OPENING DAY

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OPENING DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 13, 2025

The Ninety-Fifth General Assembly is called to order by the President of the Senate, Lieutenant Governor, Leslie Rutledge at High Noon, Monday, January 13, 2025.

Ann Cornwell, Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate, will call the roll.

The following members answered the roll:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Bart Hester is recognized to introduce Pastor Andrew Laney, Geyer Springs, FBC, Little Rock, Arkansas for the opening prayer.

Everyone please rise.

Everyone please remain standing.

The Senate will be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by AR National Guardsman Nick Hester.

Senator Blake Johnson nominates Senator Bart Hester to serve as President Pro Tempore of the 95th General Assembly.

The Honorable Karen Baker, Chief Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, will administer the oath of office to Senator Bart Hester, representing District 33 and Pro Tempore of the Arkansas Senate.

Senator Blake Johnson, Majority Leader and Senator Greg Leding, Minority Leader, will come forward and present the Senate lapel pin to Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Arkansas Senate.

Remarks by Senator Bart Hester President Pro Tempore, of the Arkansas Senate.

Ann Cornwell, Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate, announces the following Senators elected within their respective caucus to serve in leadership during the 95th General Assembly:

Senator Blake Johnson, Majority Leader
Senator Greg Leding, Minority Leader
Senator Beanne Davis, Majority Whip
Senator Fredrick Love, Minority Whip

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, appoints the following members to escort The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State, to the Senate Chamber for the purpose of delivering the certificates of election to members of the Senate:

Senator Kim Hammer
Senator Reginald Murdock

Ann Cornwell, Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate, announces the appointments by Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, of the Assistant Pro Tempores of the Senate for the 95th General Assembly by Congressional District:

First District	Senator David Wallace
Second District	Senator Clarke Tucker
Third District	Senator Tyler Dees
Fourth District	Senator Matt Stone

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, submits to the Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate the names of the Senate Ethics Committee to be filed in the Senate Journal of the 95th General Assembly:

Senator Missy Irvin, Chair

Senator Clarke Tucker, Vice-Chair

Senator Breanne Davis	Senator Matt Stone
Senator Justin Boyd	Senator Greg Leding
Senator Blake Johnson	Senator Jamie Scott

Senator Kim Hammer submits to Ann Cornwell, Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate, the names of the Efficiency Committee to be filed in the Senate Journal of the 95th General Assembly:

Senator Kim Hammer, Chair

Senator Clarke Tucker, Vice-Chair

Senator Stephanie Flowers	Senator Scott Flippo
Senator Steve Crowell	Senator Terry Rice
Senator Jane English	Senator Blake Johnson
Senator Gary Stubblefield	Senator Ricky Hill

Efficiency Committee Chair, Senator Kim Hammer, submits to Ann Cornwell, Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate, the names of the session employees to be filed in the Senate Journal for the 95th General Assembly.

ARKANSAS SENATE

95th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION EMPLOYEES

Batch, Winfred	Baxley, Theresa
Bowers, Charles	Dorrough, Phyllis
Dunlap, Nancy	Gray, Joe
Graves, Sallie	Harkins, Connie
Haas, Cynthia	Harness, Bradley
Hobbs, Felicia	Hudson, Mark
Iverson, Bonita	Kemp, Betsy
Kessler, Henry	Loy, Hunter
Martinsen, Randy	May, Hazel
Mays, Velecia "Vee"	McAdams, Carol Ann
Mullaney, Norma	Mullenax, Dave
Neely, Von	Parker, Sharon
Perkins, Janet	Powers, Stephanie
Porter, Carolyn	Robinson, Rosemary
Rogers, Alvernon	Sims, Judy
Smith, Quinton	Springer, Susan
Sponer, Thomas	Tate, Janet
Thompson, Sheila	

Majority Leader, Senator Blake Johnson, submits to Ann Cornwell, Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate, the Committee assignments to be filed in the Senate Journal for the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly.

2025-26 SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

STANDING COMMITTEES

CLASS "A"

Public Health, Welfare & Labor

1. Irvin, Missy Chair
2. Wallace, David Vice-Chair
3. Love, Fredrick
4. Flippo, Scott
5. Hill, Ricky
6. Penzo, Clint
7. Leding, Greg
8. Payton, John

Revenue & Taxation

1. Hickey, Jr., Jimmy Chair
2. Crowell, Steve Vice-Chair
3. Dismang, Jonathan
4. Petty, Jim
5. Caldwell, Ronald
6. Boyd, Justin
7. Hester, Bart
8. Hammer, Kim

Education

1. English, Jane Chair
2. Sullivan, Dan Vice-Chair
3. Flowers, Stephanie
4. Davis, Breanne
5. Murdock, Reginald
6. Dotson, Jim
7. King, Bryan
8. Bryant, Joshua

CLASS "B"

Agriculture, Forestry & Economic Development.

1. Caldwell, Ronald Chair
2. Stone, Matt Vice-Chair
3. Dismang, Jonathan
4. Hickey, Jr., Jimmy
5. Leding, Greg
6. Scott, Jamie
7. Gilmore, Ben
8. Crowell, Steve

Insurance & Commerce

1. Johnson, Blake Chair
2. Boyd, Justin Vice-Chair
3. Johnson, Mark
4. Murdock, Reginald
5. McKee, Matt
6. Penzo, Clint
7. Flowers, Stephanie
8. Irvin, Missy

City, County, Local Affairs

1. Stubblefield, Gary Chair
2. Petty, Jim Vice-Chair
3. Rice, Terry
4. Bryant, Joshua
5. English, Jane
6. Wallace, David
7. Davis, Breanne
8. Hester, Bart

Judiciary

1. Clark, Alan Chair
2. Dees, Tyler Vice-Chair
3. Tucker, Clarke
4. Gilmore, Ben
5. Stubblefield, Gary
6. McKee, Matt
7. Rice, Terry
8. Johnson, Blake

State Agencies & Governmental Affairs

1. Flippo, Scott Chair
2. Payton, John Vice-Chair
3. Hammer, Kim
4. King, Bryan
5. Dotson, Jim
6. Tucker, Clarke
7. Clark, Alan
8. Sullivan, Dan

CLASS “C” COMMITTEE

Transportation, Technology & Legislative Affairs

1. Hill, Ricky Chair
2. Dismang, Jonathan Vice Chair
3. Johnson, Mark
4. Stone, Matt
5. Dees, Tyler
6. Love, Fredrick
7. Scott, Jamie
8. Bryant, Joshua

Pro Tempore shall appoint two (2) members to serve on any Class "A", "B" or “C" Committee that does not have 8 Senate members - Senate Rule 7.01(b)(2)

SENATE JOINT COMMITTEES

Joint Performance Review

1. Rice, Terry Chair
2. Scott, Jamie Vice-Chair
3. Dismang, Jonathan
4. English, Jane
5. Flippo, Scott
6. Hill, Ricky
7. Sullivan, Dan
8. Bryant, Joshua
9. Dees, Tyler
10. Payton, John

Joint Retirement & Social. Security.

1. Dotson, Jim Chair
2. Love, Fredrick Vice-Chair
3. Leding, Greg
4. Hammer, Kim
5. Tucker, Clarke
6. Gilmore, Ben
7. Murdock, Reginald
8. McKee, Matt
9. Penzo, Clint
10. Boyd, Justin

Joint Energy

1. Johnson, Mark Chair
2. McKee, Matt Vice-Chair
3. Irvin, Missy
4. Clark, Alan
5. Stubblefield, Gary
6. Johnson, Blake
7. King, Bryan
8. Penzo, Clint
9. Caldwell, Ronald
10. Hickey, Jr., Jimmy

Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth

1. Gilmore, Ben Chair
2. Murdock, Reginald Vice-Chair
3. Petty, Jim
4. Clark, Alan
5. Hester, Bart
6. Wallace, David
7. Davis, Breanne
8. Johnson, Mark
9. Sullivan, Dan
10. King, Bryan

Joint Interim Committee on Legislative Facilities

10-3-1101

Joint Legislative Facilities Chair

Chair Appointed by the Committee Members

1. Hester, Bart, President Pro Tempore

President Pro Tem has one (1) appointment

2. Dotson, Jim

Efficiency Chairman has (4) appointments

3. Hammer, Kim Efficiency Chair Appointment
4. Crowell, Steve Efficiency Chair Appointment
5. Irvin, Missy Efficiency Chair Appointment
6. McKee, Matt Efficiency Chair Appointment
7. Dismang, Jonathan, Joint Budget Chair

Joint Budget

1. Dismang, Jonathan Chair
2. Bryant, Joshua Vice-Chair

(Chair & Vice-Chair chosen by the Joint Budget committee members)

SENATE SELECT COMMITTEES

Efficiency Committee

1. Hammer, Kim Chair
2. Tucker, Clarke Vice-Chair
3. Flowers, Stephanie

Rules, Resolutions & Memorials

1. Davis, Breanne Chair
2. Leding, Greg Vice-Chair
3. Caldwell, Ronald

4. Crowell, Steve
5. English, Jane
6. Stubblefield, Gary
7. Flippo, Scott
8. Rice, Terry
9. Johnson, Blake
10. Hill, Ricky

4. Hickey, Jr., Jimmy
5. Hester, Bart
6. Wallace, David
7. Boyd, Justin
8. Stone, Matt
9. Irvin, Missy
10. Dismang, Jonathan

The Senate members of the Joint Budget Committee shall select one member of the committee as Co-Chair and one member of the committee as Co-Vice Chair.

JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

Dismang, Jonathan, Co-Chair

Bryant, Joshua, Co-Vice Chair

1st Congressional District

1. Irvin, Missy
2. Caldwell, Ronald
3. Flippo, Scott
4. Johnson, Blake
5. Hill, Ricky
6. Sullivan, Dan

Alternate: Murdock, Reginald

2nd Congressional District

1. Dismang, Jonathan
2. English, Jane
3. Johnson, Mark
4. Hammer, Kim
5. Tucker, Clarke
6. Payton, John

Alternate: Scott, Jamie

3rd Congressional District

1. Hester, Bart
2. Leding, Greg
3. King, Bryan

4. Penzo, Clint

5. Bryant, Joshua

6. Dees, Tyler

Alternate: Boyd, Justin

4th Congressional District

1. Flowers, Stephanie

2. Clark, Alan

3. Stubblefield, Gary

4. Hickey, Jr., Jimmy

5. Davis, Breanne

6. McKee, Matt

Alternate: Crowell, Steve

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Gilmore, Ben, Current Co-Chair of Legislative Council

Rice, Terry, Past Co-Chair Legislative Council

(if not a Senate member - President Pro Tem appointee)

Petty, Jim, Current Co-Chair of Legislative Audit

Wallace, David, Past Co-Chair of Legislative Audit

(if not a Senate member - President Pro Tem appointee)

The Senate members of the Legislative Council Committee shall select one member of the committee as Co-Chair and one member of the committee as Co-Vice Chair

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Gilmore, Ben Co- Chair

Boyd, Justin Vice-Chair

DISTRICT		MEMBER	1ST ALTERNATE
1ST	1.	Irvin, Missy	
	2.	Caldwell, Ronald	Murdock, Reginald
	3.	Flippo, Scott	
	4.	Hill, Ricky	
2nd	1.	English, Jane	Johnson, Mark
	2.	Hammer, Kim	Scott, Jamie
	3.	Tucker, Clarke	Johnson, Mark
	4.	Payton, John	Scott, Jamie
3rd	1.	Boyd, Justin	
	2.	Penzo, Clint	
	3.	Bryant, Joshua	
	4.	Dees, Tyler	
4th	1.	Clark, Alan	
	2.	Stubblefield, Gary	Flowers, Stephanie
	3.	Hickey, Jr., Jimmy	Crowell, Steve
	4.	Gilmore, Ben	Stone, Matt

Code 10-3-301

Hester, Bart, President Pro Tempore of the Senate **1st Alternate:**

Sullivan, Dan, Immediate Past President Pro Tempore

(if not a Senate member President Pro Tem appointee)

McKee, Matt

President Pro Tempore-elect (appointed by Pro Tem until position is filled)

Dismang, Jonathan **Co-Chair, Joint Budget Committee**

Petty, Jim **Co-Chair Legislative Audit**

Dotson, Jim **Co-Vice Chair Legislative Audit**

Wallace, David **,Past Co-Chair, Legislative Audit**

(if not a Senate member Pro Tem appointee)

Rice, Terry **Past Co-Chair, Legislative Council**

(if not a Senate member Pro Tem appointee)

Johnson, Blake **Majority Leader**

Davis, Breanne **Majority Whip**

Leding, Greg **Minority Leader**

Love, Fredrick **Minority Whip**

The Senate members of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee shall select one member of the committee as Co-Chair and one member of the committee as Co-Vice Chair

LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

Petty, Jim Co-Chair

Dotson, Jim Vice-Chair

DISTRICT		MEMBERS	FIRST ALTERNATE
1ST	1.	Sullivan, Dan	Irvin, Missy
	2.	Murdock, Reginald	Hill, Ricky
	3.	Caldwell, Ronald	Johnson, Blake
	4.	Flippo, Scott	
2ND	1.	Johnson, Mark	Tucker, Clarke
	2.	Scott, Jamie	Payton, John
	3.	English, Jane	Dismang, Jonathan
	4.	Hammer, Kim	Payton, John
3RD	1.	Petty, Jim	Boyd, Justin
	2.	Dotson, Jim	Penzo, Clint
	3.	Bryant, Joshua	
	4.	Dees, Tyler	
4TH	1.	McKee, Matt	Clark, Alan
	2.	Crowell, Steve	Stubblefield, Gary
	3.	Stone, Matt	Hickey, Jr., Jimmy
	4.	Love, Fredrick	Davis, Breanne

Code 10-3-403

Hester, Bart **President Pro Tempore**

Wallace, David **Past Co-Chair, Legislative Audit**

(if not a Senate member Pro Tem appointee)

Gilmore, Ben **Current Co-Chair of Legislative Council**

Boyd, Justin **Current Co-Vice Chair of Legislative Council**

The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State, is escorted to the well of the Senate to deliver the certificate of the election to members of the Senate.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SECRETARY OF STATE

I, Cole Jester, Secretary of the State of Arkansas, and as such, keeper of the official records of this office, do hereby certify that the following and here to attached instrument of writing is a true and perfect copy of the

Declaration of the Results

of the 2024 General Election Vote

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official Seal. Done at my office in the City of Little Rock, this 8th day of January,2025.

(SIGNED) Cole Jester

Secretary of State

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 1

Senator Ben Gilmore (REP)	22,933 (77.36%)
Asher Williams (LIB)	6,713 (22.64%)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 3

Senator Steve Crowell (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 4

Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr., (REP)	23,721 (80.74%)
Lonny Mack Goodwin (LIB)	5,658 (19.26%)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 5

Senator Terry Rice (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 6

Senator Matt McKee (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 8

Senator Stephanie Flowers (DEM)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 12

Representative Jamie Scott (DEM)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 17

Senator Mark Johnson (REP)	22,030 (58.23%)
Maureen Skinner (DEM)	15,800 (41.77%)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 18

Senator Jonathan Dismang (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 19

Senator Dave Wallace (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 20

State Senator Dan Sullivan (REP)	16,929 (60.90%)
Erika Askeland (DEM)	10,869 (39.10%)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 22

Senator John Payton (REP)	28, 121 (82.23%)
Sandy Maier (DEM)	6,078 (17.77%)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 23

Senator Scott Flippo (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 25

Senator Breanne Davis (REP)	24,210 (74.22%)
Michelle Justice (DEM)	8,408 (25.78%)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 26

State Senator Gary Stubblefield (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 29

State Senator Jim Petty (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 33

State Senator Bart Hester (REP)	Unopposed

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 34

Senate Jim Dotson (REP)	28,156 (63.87%)
Kaylee Wedgeworth (DEM)	15,925 (36.13%)

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SECRETARY OF STATE

Mr. President Pro Tem, Senators, family members, friends, and honored guests:

In accordance with Arkansas law, it is my honor to present the list of members elected to the State senate of the 95th General Assembly.

I, Cole Jester, Secretary of State for the state of Arkansas, hereby certify that each of the following members received the highest number of votes cast in his or her respective Senate district in the General Election held on November 5th, 2025, as certified to the office of the Secretary of State by the various County Boards of Election Commissioners:

Ben Gilmore	State Senate	District 01
Steve Crowell	State Senate	District 03
Jimmy Hickey	State Senate	District 04
Terry Rice	State Senate	District 05
Matt McKee	State Senate	District 06
Stephanie Flowers	State Senate	District 08
Jamie Scott	State Senate	District 12
Mark Johnson	State Senate	District 17
Jonathan Dismang	State Senate	District 18
David Wallace	State Senate	District 19



STATE OF ARKANSAS

SECRETARY OF STATE

Dan Sullivan	State Senate	District 20
John Payton	State Senate	District 22
Scott Flippo	State Senate	District 23
Breanne Davis	State Senate	District 25
Gary Stubblefield	State Senate	District 26
Jim Petty	State Senate	District 29
Bart Hester	State Senate	District 33
Jim Dotson	State Senator	District 34

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto fixed my hand and affixed my official Seal. Done at my office in the City of Little Rock, this 8th day of January,2025.

(SIGNED) Cole Jester

Secretary of State

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, appoints the following members to escort The Honorable Karen Baker, Chief Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court Justices. The Honorable Nicholas Bronni, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and The Honorable LaTonya Austin-Honorable to the Senate chamber for the purpose of administering oaths of office:

Senator Missy Irvin

Senator Clarke Tucker

The Honorable LaTonya Austin-Honorable, Circuit Judge for Pulaski County, Circuit Judge

Senator Jamie Scott, District 12

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, will present the Senate lapel pin to the newly elected Senator.

The Honorable Nicholas Bronni, Associate Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, will administer the oath of office to the re-elected returning Senator individually.

Senator Jim Dotson, District 34

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, will present the Senate lapel pin to the newly re-elected Senator.

The Honorable Karen Baker, Chief Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, will administer the oath of office to the re-elected returning Senator individually.

Senator Steve Crowell, District 3

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, will present the Senate lapel pin to the newly re-elected Senator.

The following members please come forward as your name is called by the Director of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate:

Senator Ben Gilmore	District 1
Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr.	District 4
Senator Terry Rice	District 5
Senator Matt McKee	District 6
Senator Stephanie Flowers	District 8
Senator Mark Johnson	District 17
Senator Jonathan Dismang	District 18
Senator David Wallace	District 19
Senator Dan Sullivan	District 20
Senator John Payton	District 22
Senator Scott Flippo	District 23
Senator Breanne Davis	District 25
Senator Gary Stubblefield	District 26
Senator Jim Petty	District 29

The Honorable Karen Baker, Chief Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, will administer the oath of office to the re-elected returning Senators.

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, will present the Senate lapel pin to the re-elected returning Senators.

Senator Stubblefield came back up for the Oath and was sworn in by Chief Justice Baker.

Rules Committee Chair, Senator Breanne Davis, is recognized to present the Senate Rules of the 95th General Assembly as amended.

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, appoints the following members to notify the Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Governor of the Great State of Arkansas, that the Senate is organized and ready for business:

Senator Jim Petty

Senator Fredrick Love

Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, appoints the following members to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate is organized and ready for business.

Senator Jim Dotson

Senator Jamie Scott

Introduction of Senate Bills and Resolutions.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE JOINT RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on RULES, RESOLUTIONS & MEMORIALS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE A VOTE OF THREE-FOURTHS OF EACH HOUSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT, AMEND, OR REPEAL LAWS CONCERNING ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS OR ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE A VOTE OF THREE-FOURTHS OF EACH HOUSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT, AMEND, OR REPEAL LAWS CONCERNING ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS OR ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

§ 43. Laws concerning access to public records or access to public meetings.

(a) The General Assembly may only enact, amend, or repeal a law concerning access to public records or access to public meetings by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of each house.

(b) The vote requirement under subsection (a) of this section shall apply to the amendment or repeal of a law concerning access to public records or access to public meetings existing on or after January 1, 2027, including without limitation an amendment to or repeal of the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, Arkansas Code § 25-19-101 et seq.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 3. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to Require a Vote of Three-Fourths of the General Assembly to Enact, Amend, or Repeal Laws Concerning Access to Public Records or Access to Public Meetings.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO AMEND CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING APPORTIONMENT; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS APPORTIONMENT COMMISSION TO APPORTION DISTRICTS FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE, AND THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS APPORTIONMENT COMMISSION TO APPORTION DISTRICTS FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE, AND THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 29, is amended to read as follows:

§ 29. Appropriations.

Except as provided in Arkansas Constitution, Article 8, § 8, and Article 19, § 31, no money shall be drawn from the treasury except in pursuance of specific appropriation made by law, the purpose of which shall be distinctly stated in the bill, and the maximum amount which may be drawn shall be specified in dollars and cents; and no appropriations made by the General Assembly after December 31, 2008, shall be for a longer period than one (1) fiscal year.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 8, § 1, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1. Board of ~~apportionment~~ Apportionment created — Powers and duties.

(a) A ~~Board~~ board to be known as "The Board of Apportionment~~,~~", consisting of the Governor (who shall be ~~Chairman~~ Chair), the Secretary of State, and the Attorney General, is hereby created, and it shall be its imperative duty to ~~make~~ approve the apportionment of ~~representatives~~ Senators and Representatives of the General Assembly and Representatives of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Arkansas in accordance with the provisions hereof~~; the~~. The action of a majority in each instance shall be deemed the action of said board.

(b) The members of the board shall appoint members to the Arkansas Apportionment Commission as provided in this article and approve or reject reports issued by the commission.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Constitution, Article 8, § 2, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. ~~One hundred members in~~ House of Representatives districts — ~~Apportionment~~ One hundred members of House of Representatives.

~~The House of Representatives shall consist of one hundred members and each county existing at the time of any apportionment shall have at least one representative; the remaining members shall be equally distributed (as nearly as practicable) among the more populous counties of the State, in accordance with a ratio to be determined by the population of said counties as shown by the Federal census next preceding any apportionment hereunder~~ The House of Representatives shall consist of one hundred (100) members. Subject to the approval of the Board of Apportionment, the Arkansas Apportionment Commission shall divide the State into one hundred (100) House of Representatives districts as provided in this article. The

districts shall have an equal population, or as nearly equal as practicable, in accordance with the population of the State as shown by the federal decennial census next preceding any apportionment under this article.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Constitution, Article 8, § 3, is amended to read as follows:

§ 3. Senatorial districts — Thirty-five members of Senate.

~~The Senate shall consist of thirty-five members. Senatorial districts shall at all times consist of contiguous territory, and no county shall be divided in the formation of such districts. "The Board of Apportionment" hereby created shall, from time to time, divide the state into convenient senatorial districts in such manner as that the Senate shall be based upon the inhabitants of the state, each senator representing, as nearly as practicable, an equal number thereof; each district shall have at least one senator~~ The Senate shall consist of thirty-five (35) members. Subject to the approval of the Board of Apportionment, the Arkansas Apportionment Commission shall divide the State into thirty-five (35) Senate districts as provided in this article. The districts shall have an equal population, or as nearly equal as practicable, in accordance with the population of the State as shown by the federal decennial census next preceding any apportionment under this article.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Constitution, Article 8, § 4, is amended to read as follows:

§ 4. Duties of Arkansas Apportionment Commission and Board of Apportionment.

On or before February 1 immediately following each ~~Federal~~ federal decennial census, ~~said board~~ the Arkansas Apportionment Commission shall reapportion the State for Representatives to the House of Representatives, Senators to the Senate, and Representatives to the United States House of Representatives. The commission shall issue a report to the Board of Apportionment, which shall either accept or reject the report. If the board accepts the report, ~~and in each instance said~~ the board shall file ~~its~~ the report with the Secretary of State, setting forth (a) the basis of population adopted for ~~representatives~~ Representatives to the House of Representatives, Senators to the Senate, and Representatives to the United States House of Representatives~~;~~ and (b) the number of Representatives to the House of Representatives and Senators to the Senate assigned to each county~~; whereupon,~~

~~after 30~~. After thirty (30) days from such filing date, the apportionment thus made shall become effective unless proceedings for revision be instituted in the Supreme Court within said period.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Constitution, Article 8, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Mandamus to compel Arkansas Apportionment Commission and Board of Apportionment to act.

Original jurisdiction (to be exercised on application of any citizens and taxpayers) is hereby vested in the Supreme Court ~~of the State~~ (a) to compel (by mandamus or otherwise) the ~~board~~ Arkansas Apportionment Commission and the Board of Apportionment to perform ~~its~~ their duties as here directed, ~~and~~ (b) to revise any arbitrary action of or abuse of discretion by the commission or the board in making such apportionment, and (c) to reapportion the State for Representatives to the House of Representatives, Senators to the Senate, and Representatives to the United States House of Representatives if the report of the commission is rejected three (3) times by the board; provided any such application for revision or reapportionment shall be filed with ~~said~~ the Supreme Court within ~~30~~ thirty (30) days after the ~~filing~~ acceptance or the third rejection of the report of apportionment by said board ~~with the Secretary of State~~; if revised or reapportioned by the court, a certified copy of its judgment shall be by the clerk thereof forthwith transmitted to the Secretary of State, and thereupon be and become a substitute for the apportionment made by the commission and the board.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Constitution, Article 8, is amended to add additional sections to read as follows:

§ 7. United States House of Representatives districts.

Subject to the approval of the Board of Apportionment, the Arkansas Apportionment Commission, as provided in this article, shall divide the state into the number of United States House of Representatives districts required by federal law. The districts shall have an equal population, or as nearly equal as practicable, in accordance with the population of the State as shown by the federal decennial census next preceding any apportionment under this article.

§ 8. Arkansas Apportionment Commission — Creation.

(a) There is created the Arkansas Apportionment Commission.

(b)(1) The commission shall consist of nine (9) members.

(2) Three (3) members of the commission shall be appointed by the Governor, three (3) members of the commission shall be appointed by the Secretary of State, and three (3) members of the commission shall be appointed by the Attorney General.

(3) Of the nine (9) members of the commission:

(A) At least one (1) member shall be educated in the field of mathematics;

(B) At least one (1) member shall be an attorney who is licensed to practice in this state; and

(C) At least one (1) member shall be competent in the field of computer-assisted cartography.

(c) Each member of the commission shall be appointed on or before January 15 immediately following each federal decennial census and shall serve a term of ten (10) years with each term beginning on the January 15 immediately following the federal decennial census and ending on January 14 immediately following the next occurring federal decennial census.

(d) A vacancy on the commission shall be filled in the manner of the original appointment for the remainder of the term.

(e) Five (5) members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business.

(f) A majority vote of the total membership of the commission is required for any action of the commission.

(g) The office of the Secretary of State shall provide staff assistance as may be requested by the commission.

(h) Each member of the commission shall:

(1) Be a registered voter of the State;

(2) Not be a registered lobbyist, an employee of a registered lobbyist, an elected official, an appointed federal or state official, an officer or employee of a political party, an officer or employee of a political campaign committee,

or an officer or employee of a political action committee;

(3) Not have served in any of the positions listed in subdivision (h)(2) of this section within three (3) years of the date of his or her appointment to the commission; and

(4) Not be, by blood or marriage, the spouse, child, parent, or sibling of a person in any of the positions listed in subdivision (h)(2) of this section.

(i) A member of the commission shall not campaign for elected office or actively participate in or contribute to the campaign of a person running for a state or federal elected office during his or her term of office or for two (2) years after his or her term of office.

(j)(1) The commission, during its first meeting following each federal decennial census, may authorize payment to its members of a stipend not to exceed eighty-five dollars ($85.00) per day for each meeting attended or for any day while performing any proper business of the commission.

(2) Stipends shall be paid by the Auditor of State from funds available for that purpose.

(3) Members of the commission shall receive no other compensation, expense reimbursement, or in-lieu-of payments for their service on the commission.

(k) In addition to taking and subscribing to the oath under Arkansas Constitution, Article 19, § 20, each member of the commission shall take and subscribe to an oath of affirmation that his or her official decisions will be based on the values of political neutrality and the public interest and not on any attempt to further the interests of any particular private person, private interest, or political party.

(l)(1) The commission shall be entitled to funding in amounts sufficient to discharge the commission's duties under this article.

(2)(A) The General Assembly shall appropriate the amount necessary for the commission to accomplish the commission's duties under this article for:

(i) The fiscal year in which the federal decennial census is performed; and

(ii) The fiscal year immediately following the federal decennial census.

(B) The total amount under subdivision (l)(2)(A) of this section shall not be less than seven hundred fifty thousand dollars ($750,000).

(3) If the commission requires funds to discharge the commission's duties under this article before the convening of a legislative session in which the General Assembly can appropriate funds for the commission, the commission is entitled to and shall receive funds from the Constitutional Officers Fund or its successor fund in the amount necessary to discharge the commission's duties under this article until the General Assembly appropriates funds for the commission.

(m) A person appointed to serve on the commission may be appointed to serve subsequent terms on the commission.

(n) The commission is subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, Arkansas Code § 25-19-101 et seq.

(o)(1) The commission shall retain all records related to reapportioning the State for Representatives to the House of Representatives, Senators to the Senate, and Representatives to the United States House of Representatives, including without limitation all communications received by members of the commission and the commission's staff regarding how the State should be reapportioned for Representatives, Senators, United States Representatives, or any combination of Representatives, Senators, and United States Representatives.

(2) If a member of the commission or a member of the commission's staff receives a verbal communication regarding how the State should be reapportioned for Representatives, Senators, United States Representatives, or any combination of Representatives, Senators, and United States Representatives, the member or staff of the commission shall document the verbal communication in writing.

§ 9. Powers and duties of Arkansas Apportionment Commission – Approval by Board of Apportionment.

(a)(1)(A) On or before February 1 immediately following each federal decennial census, the Arkansas Apportionment Commission shall convene to reapportion the State for Representatives, Senators, and United States Representatives.

(B) If the population information resulting from the federal decennial census is not available on February 1 immediately following a federal decennial census, the commission shall convene to reapportion the State for

Representatives, Senators, and United States Representatives as soon as practicable.

(2) The Governor shall call the first meeting of the commission following each federal decennial census.

(3) The commission shall elect a chair and other officers it deems necessary at its first meeting following each federal decennial census.

(b) When reapportioning the State for Representatives, Senators, and United States Representatives, the commission shall consider the following criteria in the order stated in this subsection:

(1) Population equality;

(2) Any applicable federal civil rights laws;

(3) Contiguity;

(4) Avoiding the division of cities and counties;

(5) Avoiding the division of school districts;

(6) Compactness;

(7) Avoiding the division of areas marked by geographical features such as mountains or rivers; and

(8) The drawing of House of Representatives districts wholly within Senate districts.

(c) Unless otherwise required by law, the commission shall not consider any factors not identified in subsection (b) of this section when reapportioning the State for Representatives to the House of Representatives, Senators to the Senate, and Representatives to the United States House of Representatives, including without limitation:

(1) Political affiliation of residents;

(2) Previous election results;

(3) Residence of an incumbent elected official;

(4) Communities of interest; or

(5) Any demographic information other than population.

(d)(1) The commission shall issue reapportionment maps as provided in this section.

(2) The commission shall establish multiple methods for the public to provide comments and propose alternative reapportionment maps for consideration by the commission.

(e)(1) The commission shall conduct at least one (1) hearing in each congressional district and shall publicly release at least three (3) different reapportionment maps for all state and federal districts for public comment at least thirty (30) days before the first hearing.

(2) If the commission revises a reapportionment map after the reapportionment map has been publicly released under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, the revised reapportionment map shall be publicly released at least thirty (30) days before a final vote on adoption of the revised reapportionment map by the commission.

(f)(1) The commission shall prepare a report and submit the report to the Board of Apportionment.

(2) The report shall include:

(A) The basis of population adopted for Representatives, Senators, and United States Representatives; and

(B) The number of Representatives and Senators assigned to each county.

(3)(A) The board may choose to:

(i) Accept the report; or

(ii) Reject the report and request that the commission make revisions.

(B) The board may reject the report no more than three (3) times.

(g) If the board rejects the report of the commission three (3) times, the apportionment shall be made by the Supreme Court following the requirements under subsections (b) and (c) of this section.

Section 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

Section 9. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to Amend Constitutional Provisions Concerning Apportionment and to Create the Arkansas Apportionment Commission to Apportion Districts for the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the United States House of Representatives.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR ST. BERNARDS MEDICAL CENTER IN JONESBORO FOR BEING THE FIRST MEDICAL FACILITY IN THE STATE TO OPEN A MATERNAL LIFE360 HOME.

Senate Resolution No. 1 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATE EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 1 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 2
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE STATEWIDE FLUORIDATION PROGRAM; TO REMOVE THE MANDATE FOR WATER SYSTEMS TO MAINTAIN A FLUORIDE CONTENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 2 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 3
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION OR PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND OTHER PUBLIC ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 3 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS; TO ALLOW VOTERS TO ELECT "FOR" OR "AGAINST" WATER FLUORIDATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 4 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 5
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG HARM OR HOMICIDE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 5 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 6
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF VACCINE HARM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 6 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 7
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SALES AND USE TAX REPORTS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO REQUEST A SALES AND USE TAX REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 7 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 8
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR USED TIRE RECYCLING AND ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN addition TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 149 OF 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 8 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 9
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE MAKE ARKANSAS HEALTHY AGAIN ACT; TO PROHIBIT A PERSON OR ENTITY FROM MANUFACTURING, SELLING, DELIVERING, DISTRIBUTING, HOLDING, OR OFFERING FOR SALE A FOOD PRODUCT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION THAT CONTAINS CERTAIN SUBSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 9 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 10
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS DATA CENTERS ACT OF 2023; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE POWERS OF THE ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION; TO MONITOR THE IMPACT OF BLOCKCHAIN NETWORKS AND DIGITAL ASSET MINING ON WATER USAGE; TO ALLOW FOR THE CLOSURE OF BLOCKCHAIN NETWORKS OR DIGITAL ASSET MINING OPERATIONS IF WATER USAGE IS EXCESSIVE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION; TO MONITOR THE IMPACT OF BLOCKCHAIN NETWORKS AND DIGITAL ASSET MINING ON THE ELECTRIC GRID; TO ALLOW FOR THE HALT OF BLOCKCHAIN NETWORKS OR DIGITAL ASSET MINING OPERATIONS IF THE ELECTRIC GRID IS THREATENED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 10 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 11
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS DATA CENTERS ACT OF 2023; TO AMEND THE UNIFORM MONEY SERVICES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 11 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 12
NINETY FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO SUBJECT ALL COMMUNICATION WITH THE BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO ESTABLISH A PENALTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 12 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 13
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CIVIL ACTIONS BROUGHT BY CERTAIN VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE; TO ALLOW A CLAIM TO BE BROUGHT FOR INJURY CAUSED BY CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AT ANY TIME IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 13 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 14
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING AND HANDLING OF CLAIMS MADE FOR PROPERTY PAID OR DELIVERED TO THE ADMINISTRATOR UNDER THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT; TO ALLOW FOR THE DIRECT PAYMENT OR DELIVERY OF PROPERTY TO AN APPARENT OWNER IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 14 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 15
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NEGLIGENT DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS WHILE HUNTING DEER; TO REPEAL § 15-43-205; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 15 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 16
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM AT A TRAIN; TO INCREASE THE FINE THAT MAY BE IMPOSED FOR THE DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM AT A TRAIN OR FOR THROWING OTHER OBJECTS AT A TRAIN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 16 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY& LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 17
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPHARD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY THAT IS INTENDED TO BE CREMATED; TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES FOR THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 17 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 18
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR OF IMPROPER OR ILLEGAL PRACTICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 18 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 19
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS BOARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 19 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 20
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - ARKANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 20 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 21
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - POST-PRISON TRANSFER BOARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 21 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 22
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE>

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 22 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 23
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE AND DISABILITY COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 23 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 24
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 24 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 25 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 26
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 26 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 27
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - ARKANSAS MINORITY HEALTH COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 27 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 28
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS ETHICS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 28 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 29
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - ARKANSAS MINORITY HEALTH COMMISSION FOR THE MINORITY HEALTH INITIATIVE OF THE TARGETED STATE NEEDS PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 29 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 30
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING EXPENSES AND GRANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MONITORING AND EVALUATING PROGRAM EXPENDITURES FROM THE PROGRAM ACCOUNTS OF THE TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROGRAM FUND FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - ARKANSAS TOBACCO SETTLEMENT COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 30 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 31
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING - WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 31 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 32
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 32 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 33
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 33 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 34
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 34 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 35
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 35 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 36
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING, ADULT, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 36 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 37
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 37 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 38
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 38 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 39
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 39 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 40
NINET-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH, AND THE INTERIM COMMITTEES OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 40 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 41
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AND FUNDS TO ALLEVIATE CONDITIONS ARISING IN PUBLIC EMERGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 41 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 42
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 42 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 43
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DIVISION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 43 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 44
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING WHEN INTERIM COMMITTEES MAY MEET DURING A LEGISLATIVE RECESS; TO REPEAL THE PROVISION OF THE LAW PERMITTING INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETINGS DURING A RECESS OF TWO (2) WEEKS OR MORE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 44 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 45
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT WOMEN VETERANS; TO REPEAL THE PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 45 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 46
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS CALDWELL, R. MURDOCK
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HOLLOWELL, BARNETT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE; TO REFLECT A MERGER BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AND EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BY CHANGING THE NAME OF EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE; TO REPEAL PORTIONS OF THE LAW CONCERNING A PREVIOUS MERGER INVOLVING EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 46 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1001
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION FOR A JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE AT 10:30 A.M., TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025, IN THE HOUSE CHAMBER, TO DECLARE ELECTION RESULTS, TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO ELECTED CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS, AND TO HEAR AN ADDRESS BY THE HONORABLE SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1001 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 47
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BEATY, JR., L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO DEFINE "CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY" UNDER THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO MODIFY THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE DEFINITIONS OF "MONEY" AND "DEPOSIT ACCOUNT"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 47 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 48
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF DEDUCTIBLES UNDER CERTAIN INSURANCE POLICIES; TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO DISCLOSE DEDUCTIBLES FOR CERTAIN INSURANCE POLICIES ON THE POLICY DECLARATION PAGE OR NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF THE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 48 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 49
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SALES AND USE TAX APPLICABLE TO PURCHASES OF NEW OR USED MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, SEMITRAILERS, AND MOTORBOATS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF SALES AND USE TAX ON MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, SEMITRAILERS, AND MOTORBOATS; TO SUBJECT CERTAIN USED MOTORBOATS TO A SPECIAL RATE OF TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 49 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 50

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A LEGISLATIVE STUDY OF WORKFORCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES REFORM; TO REQUIRE THE CONSIDERATION OF ANY LEGISLATIVE CHANGES NECESSARY TO ADDRESS ISSUES IDENTIFIED DURING THE STUDY OF WORKFORCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES REFORM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 50 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1001

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 14, 2025, with the. Joint Session in the House of Representatives at 10:30 a.m.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 14, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Love.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The morning hour began.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1001 was called up for third reading.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1001
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION FOR A JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE AT 10:30 A.M., TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025, IN THE HOUSE CHAMBER, TO DECLARE ELECTION RESULTS, TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO ELECTED CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS, AND TO HEAR AN ADDRESS BY THE HONORABLE SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1001 was read third time and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1001 returned to the House as concurred in.

SENATE BILL NO. 51
NINETY FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR COORDINATOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 51 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 52
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE - OPERATIONS AND UNCLAIMED PROPERTY PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No.52 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 53
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MAINTAINING AND OPERATING A CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY CLERKS, CIRCUIT CLERKS, COUNTY TREASURERS, COUNTY COLLECTORS AND COUNTY CORONERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 53 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 54
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 54 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 55
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 55 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 56
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE EVALUATION, EXTENSION, AND REPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 56 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Bart Hester, President Pro Tempore, the Senate recessed and members went to the House of Representatives for the Joint Session.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

ROLL CALL
JOINT SESSION, JANUARY 14, 2025
ATTENDANCE

BOYD	YEA
BRYANT	YEA
CALDWELL	YEA
CLARK	YEA
CROWELL	YEA
DAVIS	YEA
DEES	YEA
DISMANG	YEA
DOTSON	YEA
ENGLISH	YEA
FLIPPO	YEA
FLOWERS	YEA
GILMORE	YEA

HAMMER	YEA
HESTER	YEA
HICKEY	YEA
HILL	YEA
IRVIN	YEA
B. JOHNSON	YEA
M. JOHNSON	YEA
KING	YEA
LEDING	YEA
LOVE	YEA
MCKEE	YEA
MURDOCK	YEA
PAYTON	YEA
PENZO	YEA
PETTY	YEA
RICE	YEA
SCOTT	YEA
STONE	YEA
STUBBLEFIELD	YEA
SULLIVAN	YEA
TUCKER	YEA
WALLACE	YEA

TOTAL NUMBER PRESENT: 35

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Electronic Roll Call of the House by the Chief Clerk.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT 96

ACHOR, J.	COZART	LUNDSTRUM	RICHARDSON,
ALLEN, S.	CRAWFORD	LYNCH	RICHARDSON,
ANDREWS	DALBY	MADDOX	RICHMOND
BARKER	DUFFIELD	MAGIE	ROSE
BARNES	DUKE	MAYBERRY	RYE
BARNETT	EATON	MCALINDON	SHULZ
BEATY	EAVES	MCCLURE	SHEPHARD, T.
BECK	ENNETT	MCCOLLUM	SHEPHARD, M.
BENTLEY	EUBANKS	MCCULLOUGH	SPRINGER
BERRY, S.	FERGUSON	MCELROY	STEELE
BREAUX	FURMAN	MCGREW	STEIMEL
BROOKS	GARNER	MCGRUDER	TORRES
BROWN, A.	GAZAWAY	MCKENZIE	TOSH
BROWN, K.	GONZ WORTHEN	MCNAIR	UNDERWOOD
BROWN, M.	GONZALES, J.	MEEKS	UNGER
BURKES, N.	GRAMLICH	MILLIGAN	VAUGHT
BURKES, R.	HALL	MOORE, J.	WALKER
CARR, JOEY	HAWK	MOORE, K.	WARDLAW
CARR, JOHN	HENLEY	NAZARENKO	WARREN
CAVENAUGH	HOLCOMB	PAINTER	WHITAKER
CHILDRESS	HOLLOWELL	PEARCE	WING
CLOWNEY	JEAN	PILKINGTON	WOMACK
COLLINS	JOHNSON	PURYEAR	WOOLDRIDGE
COOPER	LONG	RAY	MR. SPEAKER
HUDSON	LADYMAN	PERRY	WOOTEN

Non Voting: 4

TOTAL COUNT: 96

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Chris Dixon, Senior Pastor, First Bentonville Church, Bentonville, Arkansas.

The Arkansas State Police Color Guard presented the Colors.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Lane Jean.

The Speaker of the House, The Honorable Brian S. Evans, recognized visiting dignitaries.

Speaker Evans recognized House Parliamentarian, the Honorable John T. Vines, to announce the results of the General Election vote for the United States President, United States Congress, the Arkansas State Treasurer and any Proposed Constitutional Amendments.

The President of the Senate, The Honorable Leslie Rutledge, announced the following named Senate Committee appointed by Senate President Pro Tempore Bart Hester:

Senator John Payton
Senator Dan Sullivan
Senator Clarke Tucker

and, Speaker Evans appointed the following named House Committee

Representative Howard Beaty, Chairperson	Representative Ken Ferguson
Representative Carlton Wing	Representative Fran Cavenaugh
Representative Dwight Tosh	Representative Stephen Meeks
Representative Fred Allen	Representative Robin Lundstrum
Representative Kendra Moore	Representative Lane Jean
Representative Les Warren	Representative Matthew Shepherd
Representative Jon Eubanks	Representative Jeff Wardlaw

as the Committee to notify Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders that the Joint Session is ready to receive her and to escort the Governor to the Speaker's Rostrum.

Speaker Evans recognized Sergeant at Arms.

The House will reconvene ten (10) minutes after the Governor's Speech.

The Senate will reconvene fifteen (15) minutes after the Governor's Speech.

President of the Senate, The Honorable Leslie Rutledge, presented The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Governor of the State of Arkansas, for remarks.

Speech by the Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Speaker Evans, President Hester, Constitutional Officers, members of the Supreme Court, distinguished Members of the General Assembly, my amazing family, my fellow Arkansans:

It is an honor to join you to kick off another transformational legislative session for the people of Arkansas.

When I took office, I was the youngest Governor in the country and I promised to bring a new generation of leadership. Over the past two years, Arkansas has been the vanguard of a national conservative revolution, which in just six days will put President Trump back in the White House.

But these victories don't mean we can take our foot off the gas. Today, I am here to renew my promise: for a new generation of leadership, for a new path forward for our state, and for a new vision for Arkansas.

When I took office two years ago I was the youngest Governor in the country and as I love to remind my kids, that's still the case! Although my youngest, George, recently heard me say it and replied, "You're the youngest Governor, mom? The rest of them must be really, really old."

Whether you think I'm way too young or really, really old, the results of our first two years speak for themselves: our economy is up, crime is down, education is improving, Arkansas is growing. The State of the State is very strong.

But that doesn't mean there weren't hard moments. One of the most difficult days I've had as Governor came last summer, when a gunman opened fire at the Mad Butcher grocery store in Fordyce and senselessly killed four and severely injured nine innocent Arkansans.

13 Arkansans, 13 lives, 13 everyday heroes that you might find in any small town in our state. But if there is any place to take refuge after a horrible event like that, it is in the words of Sheriff Mike Knoedl:

"This will not define us and it will not divide us."

That's true for Fordyce and it's true for Arkansas. Our state still faces many challenges: the days of incredible pain, like the shooting in Fordyce or the tornadoes that struck our state over Memorial Day weekend; the day-in, day-out issues of struggling schools, too-high crime, hunger, and poverty.

But I have always believed that we are not defined by the problems we face; we are defined by the way we face our problems. With our heads bowed and our eyes to the future, Arkansans can conquer anything.

When I was growing up, my dad never missed an opportunity to tell us that being Governor was the best job he ever had. I remember a few weeks into my time in office, after a particularly tough 48 hours, I called up my dad and asked him: "You know how

you always say being Governor is the best job in the world?" He said, "Yes." And I asked him, "When exactly will that start?"

And in a way only a dad can, my dad said, "Sarah, you haven't done anything yet. Just wait, and when you least expect it, you'll get it."

And he was absolutely right. Not long after that phone call, at my kids' sports games, at the grocery store, person after person came up to thank me for the job we are doing.

And I understood why it was the best job, because the work we do here makes a real difference in people's lives.

And no reform comes up more often than LEARNS, which passed by overwhelming margins thanks to the work of our legislators.

I hear from teachers who are now earning $50,000 a year for the first time in their life, or from the lifelong educator who earned thousands of dollars in a merit bonus for the great job she's doing. And it's not just the money – it's feeling recognized for their work.

Or I hear from the parent whose child struggled with reading and is now getting the one-on-one attention he needs because of our high-impact tutoring grants. Or it's from the parent who, seeing news from around the country, is so thankful for the investments we made in school security.

One student I've heard from is Elijah, who recently enrolled in St. Theresa's in Southwest Little Rock. Elijah is here today with Father Stephen Gadberry, whose leadership at that school should be an inspiration to all of us.

St. Theresa's is a Catholic school and many of its students come from Central Arkansas' Hispanic community. Before the LEARNS Act, most families had to scrape and save just to afford the school's modest tuition.

LEARNS flipped that equation on its head. Elijah's parents had sent him to their local public school, but knew they wanted a faith-based, smaller environment that met Elijah's needs. More than that, they wanted a community in which the whole family could be involved.

Elijah's dad is a veteran, so this school year, the family was able to sign up for an EFA account, enroll Elijah in the school, and he is now thriving. His parents are learning too: they go to Bible study over the weekend.

Stories like Elijah's are happening all over the state and starting next school year, Education Freedom Accounts will go universal.

By working together, we have achieved tremendous progress on K-12 schools, but education is a lifelong journey, and in this administration, education reform will be too.

Our Secretary of Education Jacob Oliva often talks about on-ramps and off-ramps – the exit you take when you graduate high school or college; the on-ramp you take when you go back to school to finish a degree or earn a credential.

But for some Arkansans, that's not a strong enough metaphor. For some Arkansans, education is a lifeboat – without it, they'd drown; with it, they can take control of their life's journey.

Tiffany String, who is here today, is one of those people. Tiffany's mom pulled her out of school just a few weeks into the sixth grade. She was married at 17 in her home state of Georgia, and then fourteen years later found herself in Beebe, Arkansas, with her husband and three kids.

Then, Tiffany's life imploded. Her husband walked out on their marriage, leaving her with three kids, hundreds of miles from her closest family, with no job and no car.

Tiffany figured out that Sonic was one of the few places she could go work without a GED. She signed up for government assistance and leaned on friendly neighbors. She found a bike and latched a carriage to the back of it.

She would bike her kids to school, then bike herself to Sonic for work, and on the side, biked herself to school to earn her GED. Once she got that, she continued to work and go to school and earned her nursing degree at Arkansas State University – Beebe.

She now works full-time as a nurse in Searcy. And this May, she is going to graduate with her RN degree and work as a registered nurse.

Throughout it all, her sons – now 15, 12, and 12 – have seen a strength in their mom and what her determination and a good education can do. They prayed over her and have been her biggest cheerleaders.

She pushes education on them constantly: she knows it's the best ticket they have to a better life. You should have seen the smile on her face when her oldest son sent her a picture of the 100 he got on his test. And you should have seen the tears in her eyes when one of her sons looked up at her and said, "Mom, I want to grow up to be like you."

Higher education can be the difference between a life of poverty and a life of success. And it should be available to everyone, no matter their background.

That's why today I am announcing my plan to improve our state's higher education system: Arkansas ACCESS. Together, we will expand Arkansans' access to higher education and non-degree credentials, whether their path comes straight after high school graduation, or many years down the line like Tiffany.

That starts with making applications easier. We will make it so that you submit one application, pay one fee, and can use that same application for any state-supported college or university in our state.

Arkansas students go to our colleges and universities to learn, not to be bombarded with anti-American, historically illiterate, woke nonsense. We will make it so that any professor – tenured or not – that wastes time indoctrinating instead of educating can be terminated from their job.

We will address the skyrocketing cost of higher education by funding college credits while students are still in high school and expanding scholarships to associate's degrees and non-degree credentials.

And we will change our higher education funding model so that it puts state dollars behind all types of degrees: bachelor's, associate's, and non-degree credentials.

For far too long, students were told the lie that the only way to be successful in life is to get a four-year college degree right after high school. When this body passes Arkansas ACCESS, every student, young and old, will know the truth: every Arkansan is unique, and every education journey will be unique too.

The investments we make today in education will have a payoff a long time down the road. In the meantime, Arkansans are struggling with the high costs of groceries, gas, and just about everything else.

The good news is that in just a few days, the reckless tax-and-spend policies of the Biden Administration will be over and we'll have President Donald J. Trump back in the White House.

But our families need relief now. The cost-of-living crisis is what drove my administration to work with our legislators and cut taxes not once, not twice, but three times, lowering our personal income tax rate by a full percentage point.

Our tax rates are quickly dropping, and my administration just released our report on our Arkansas Forward initiative that will save our state at least $300 million – and hopefully more.

The budget I introduced for this year controls spending increases while still making needed investments in priorities like education and maternal health.

The results of these policies have been quick and clear: We've now recorded record-high jobs numbers for nine months in a row. At the end of last year, Arkansas ranked number one in economic growth, number one in inbound movers, and number one for having the lowest cost-of-living.

Thanks to my husband's work on the Natural State Initiative, we're breaking tourism records too. The most recent statistics show that more than 50 million people visited our state in 2023 and spent nearly $10 billion while here.

Despite our progress, we know some Arkansans are still struggling. Last year, I signed Arkansas up for Summer EBT, a program made possible by Arkansas' senior Senator John Boozman. Summer EBT gives $120 over the summer months to parents whose kids receive free and reduced-price lunches during the school year.

We've partnered with groups like the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance to sign families up and last summer, we served more than a quarter million Arkansas students through this program.

$120 may not sound like much but it can be life-changing to Arkansas' families. That's why I will work with the legislature to end our most regressive tax, the state Grocery Tax, and ease the burden on families just trying to put food on their tables.

I've already announced that Arkansas will participate in Summer EBT this year. Today, I'm announcing my plan to use Medical Marijuana money to make both this program and our free lunch and breakfast programs financially sustainable for years to come.

We will also use those funds to make school breakfast in Arkansas completely free.

At the same time, it should be easier for all of us to be good neighbors. We've all seen good food go to waste because a restaurant doesn't think it can donate it. If you give food to a food pantry, you shouldn't have to worry about going to court. We will pass the Good Neighbor Act to give liability protection to those who donate food.

SNAP should be focused on healthy, nutritious food. Arkansas will be the first state to seek a SNAP waiver to ensure our neediest families are getting the food they need to stay healthy.

We will also support healthy diets while also supporting Arkansas farms and businesses. I'm introducing the Buy Local Act to encourage our schools to purchase their food in-state.

Educating and feeding our kids will be two of our biggest priorities this session. The third is keeping them safe.

With the help of this body we passed the Protect Act. Violent crime here in Little Rock is down and we are ending the catch-and-early-release of repeat violent offenders. We now have more State Troopers than we've had in a generation and through our new state pay plan, will raise their starting pay by nearly 20%.

Not long ago, my husband and I visited the Pathway to Freedom program at the Wrightsville Unit here in Pulaski County. It was an amazing image: men – many of whom are in prison for violent crimes, tattoos on their arms and faces – with their hands in the air, praising God.

After that visit, I received a letter from one of those inmates, whose clemency petition I had previously denied. In his letter, he thanked me for denying his petition, because that meant he could participate in Pathway to Freedom. He said that because of the program, he will "be a better husband, father, and son."

Every inmate in Arkansas deserves access to programs like Pathway to Freedom. We will expand and require evidence-based programming in our prisons – but that can't happen with our chronic prison bed shortage.

That's why I am glad we have worked to open almost 1,500 prison beds at existing facilities, easing the burden on our county jails. And for the first time since my dad was in office, thanks to our close work with the legislature, we are expanding our prison system with plans for a new, 3,000-bed prison in Franklin County.

But there are other threats to our public safety: modern threats that require modern solutions.

Nowhere is that truer than with our kids. In the past decade across America, suicide rates among teens have tripled, self-harm among girls has risen by nearly 200%, and depression among teenagers has increased by 150%. The culprit is clear: unrestricted access to phones and social media.

With us today is Jennie DeSerio from Centerton who tragically lost her sixteen-year-old son, Mason, to suicide in 2022. It was a complete and total shock to the family: before Mason took his own life, he seemed like a happy, healthy, thriving kid.

He loved football and track and being outside. But in the last few weeks of his life, as a relationship he was in got difficult, Mason started spending more and more time watching TikToks on his phone.

When Mason's relationship ended, his mental health deteriorated. On the last night of his life, Jennie tried to take his phone away so he could get some undisturbed rest. Mason punched her, something that was a complete 180 from anything he'd ever done before.

Mason's stepfather took the phone away and his parents regrouped for just 13 minutes before realizing Mason had gone up to his room and locked the door. Mason's stepfather raced upstairs and pounded on the door but it was too late: Mason was already gone.

Months later, reeling from grief, Jennie decided to go through Mason's phone. She got on his TikTok and what she saw shocked her: video after video giving step-by-step instructions on how to take his own life.

Jennie says, "I completely believe in my heart that Mason would be alive today had he not seen those TikTok videos."

In Jennie's shoes, so many of us would be lost in our grief. Instead, she has dedicated herself to saving other families from the tragedy she experienced. She is fighting her way through the legal system to hold these abusive social media companies accountable.

Congress and federal courts have failed to step in. But where they have stalled, Arkansas will act.

With the help of this body, we have already taken major strides. We started a phone-free schools pilot program, and three quarters of our school districts voluntarily signed up. In just one district, a phone-free school saw a 57% drop in verbal and physical aggression and a 51% drop in drug-related offenses.

This session, we will ban cell phones in our schools, bell to bell, so that our kids are not distracted, in class or out of it. And we will break the cycle of the mental health crisis facing our kids.

We will update the Social Media Safety Act so that it's no longer held up in court and can begin to be enforced.

And we will give moms like Jennie the right to sue Big Tech companies under state law, so that they can hold bad actors accountable.

Arkansas has led the nation on commonsense, conservative reforms for the past two years and 2025 will be no different.

The good news is that we now have a partner and ally in the White House. I have an amazing relationship with President Trump and he and his administration will have no greater friend than Arkansas.

The President has promised to deal with the crisis on our southern border and fix our broken immigration system. Here in Arkansas, we will pass the Defense Against Criminal Illegals Act to slap enhanced penalties on violent illegal immigrants and remove them from our state.

President Trump was the first President in my lifetime to stand up to China, and Arkansas was the first state in the nation to kick Communist China off our farmland and out of our state.

We will expand that law with the Communist China Defense Act, divesting state resources from Communist China and banning our adversaries from buying land around things like military bases and electric substations.

President Trump will bring law and order back to our country. I like to think we're already pretty tough here in Arkansas, but we will take on the growing problem of squatters by allowing property owners to call the Sheriff's Office to get squatters off their land.

Education, cost-of-living, public safety. Those are the priorities that have defined the first two years of my Administration, and with your help, those are the priorities that will define the next two.

But I am also clear-eyed about the future. I know that government doesn't have a magic wand it can wave to make everything better. To improve we need to be united, in our vision and our actions.

Arkansas is blessed with the greatest asset any state could hope for: good, generous, hard-working, God-fearing people.

At the beginning of my speech, I mentioned the tragic shooting in Fordyce and the four Arkansans we lost that day and the nine who were injured. Those on the scene know that it could have been many, many more were it not for the actions of Dallas County Sheriff Mike Knoedl.

Within minutes after the first shots were fired, Knoedl and his officers were on the scene, returning fire to the gunman. They distracted him, allowing victims to find cover and escape.

Immediately after they apprehended the gunman, Knoedl organized transportation and aid for the wounded. In the days and weeks after, he helped raise tens of thousands of dollars for the families of the victims.

When a tragedy like this happens in small-town Arkansas, it's personal. These victims weren't just citizens in Mike's county; they were his neighbors and friends. He knew them by name. For him to have found the energy and courage to lead his community after this terrible event shows the strength, the courage, and the faith of this great hero.

I meet so many incredible Arkansans traveling around our state, and I believe they deserve more recognition than a mention in a speech or in the newspaper. So today, I am announcing the Arkansas Medal of Freedom, to recognize and honor Arkansans who have distinguished themselves in service to their state and fellow citizens.

I cannot think of a better person to receive the first Medal of Freedom than Sheriff Knoedl. Mike – please join me at the podium so this distinguished chamber and our entire state can recognize you for your bravery and sacrifice.

As Mike exemplifies, Arkansans are the kindest, most hardworking, most generous people on earth. As their public servants, let us walk in their footsteps and live out their example, every day of this legislative session. With the people as our priority and God as our guide, we will build the state our children and grandchildren deserve.

God bless you, and may God bless the great state of Arkansas.

The Senate reconvened at 11:54 a.m.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1003
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY RECESS ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2025, AND RECONVENE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1003 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 57
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUAL POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS; TO AMEND A PORTION OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 57 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1003

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED
TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1001

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., January 15, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 15, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Senate called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Crowell.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

SENATE BILL NO. 58
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE PROHIBITION ON NONPROFIT, TAX EXEMPT, OR GOVERNMENTALLY-FUNDED HOSPITALS HOLDING A LICENSED PHARMACY PERMIT FOR THE SALE AT RETAIL OF DRUGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 58 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on Public Health, Welfare & Labor.

SENATE BILL NO. 59
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, MCCULLOUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT WITH ONE BREAKFAST AT NO COST DURING EACH SCHOOL DAY UPON HIS OR HER REQUEST WITHOUT CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR A FEDERALLY FUNDED FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE MEAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 59 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 60
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS DATA CENTERS ACT OF 2023; TO PROHIBIT A DIGITAL ASSET MINING BUSINESS FROM BEING LOCATED WITHIN A THIRTY-MILE RADIUS OF A MILITARY FACILITY; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 60 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 61
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE VETERINARY TELEMEDICINE IN THIS STATE; TO SET CERTAIN STANDARDS FOR VETERINARY TELEMEDICINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 61 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 62
NINETY-FIFTY GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TERMINATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM; TO TRANSFER ALL BENEFICIARIES IN THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM TO THE TRADITIONAL ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME ACT OF 2021; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 62 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 63
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HICKEY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE SECRETARIES OF CABINET-LEVEL DEPARTMENTS ON THE STATE OF THEIR DEPARTMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 63 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 64
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 64 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 65
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - CAPITOL ZONING DISTRICT COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 65 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 66
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 66 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 67
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 67 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL SOCIETY; AND TO CELEBRATE 2025 AS "THE YEAR OF THE ARKANSAS PHYSICIAN".

Senate Resolution No. 2 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1003 was called up for third reading.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1003
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO 1003 PROVIDING THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY RECESS ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2025, AND RECONVENE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1003 was read the third time and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL SECRETARY

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1003 was ordered immediately returned to the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 68
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW VETERINARY TECHNICIANS, VETERINARY TECHNOLOGISTS, AND VETERINARY TECHNICIAN SPECIALISTS TO GO TO A LOCATION OTHER THAN THE LOCATION OF THE SUPERVISING VETERINARIAN TO PROVIDE SERVICES BASED ON AN EMERGENCY CALL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 68 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 69
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A DEED OR OTHER INSTRUMENT THAT CONVEYS REAL PROPERTY OR AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY WITHOUT WARRANTY BE RECORDED AND FILED ONLY BY THE RECORDER OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE REAL PROPERTY IS LOCATED; TO AUTHORIZE A REAL PROPERTY OWNER TO COMPLETE A FORM CREATED BY A COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE THAT REQUIRES CERTAIN PROVISIONS BE MADE BEFORE A DEED OR OTHER INSTRUMENT THAT CONVEYS REAL PROPERTY OR AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE REAL PROPERTY OWNER MAY BE RECORDED OR FILED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 69 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 70
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HICKEY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STANDARDS FOR INSURANCE POLICIES; TO REVISE THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF AN INSURER FOR A PREMIUM INCREASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 70 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1002
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE - GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS, ARKANSAS SENATE AND ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1002 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

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HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1002

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED
TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1003

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., January 16, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 16, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Petty requested leave for Senators King and Stubblefield. Leave was granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Allen Jackson.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 5 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 5

Amend Senate Bill No. 5 as originally introduced:
Page 2, line 20, delete "trust fund" and substitute "miscellaneous fund"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 5 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 6 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 6

Amend Senate Bill No. 6 as originally introduced:
Page 2, line 19, delete "trust fund" and substitute "miscelllaneous fund"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 6 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 16, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 5, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 6, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FITTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 15, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on RULES, RESOLUTIONS & MEMORIALS, to whom was referred:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS , CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 71
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATORS, THE OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS, JUVENILE PROBATION AND INTAKE OFFICERS AND DRUG COURT JUVENILE PROBATION AND INTAKE OFFICERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 71 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 72
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 72 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 73
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX LAWS; TO PROVIDE FOR INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR CERTAIN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS; TO CREATE THE ACCESS TO CREDIT FOR OUR RURAL ECONOMY (ACRE) ACT; TO PROVIDE AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL LOANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 73 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 74
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 74 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 75
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 75 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1002 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1002
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE - GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS, ARKANSAS SENATE AND ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1002 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1002.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King, Stubblefield.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1002, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King, Stubblefield.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1002 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Resolution No. 2 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL SOCIETY; AND TO CELEBRATE 2025 AS "THE YEAR OF THE ARKANSAS PHYSICIAN".

Senate Resolution No. 2 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Irvin was recognized and advised the Senate Ethics Committee met on Wednesday, January 15, 2025. The Committee approved the Senate Code of Ethics including two proposed changes. Copies of the two changes were on each Senator's desk.

Senator Irvin moved for the adoption of the Senate Ethics Committee's recommendation to adopt the Senate Code of Ethics including the two changes.

By voice vote, the Senate Code of Ethics was adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 76
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MISCELLANEOUS PROHIBITED PRACTICES UNDER THE ARKANSAS INSURANCE CODE; TO CLARIFY FEES COLLECTED BY CERTAIN BROKERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 76 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 77
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO REIMBURSE FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY PROVIDED IN A CLINIC-BASED SETTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 77 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 78
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION; TO REQUIRE THAT THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SAFE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN QUESTIONS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 78 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1056
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1056 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1080
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR A FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ANY PROPOSED LEGISLATION IMPOSING A NEW OR INCREASED COST OBLIGATION FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS ON AN ENTITY OF THE STATE; TO REPEAL THE BILL FILING DEADLINE FOR BILLS AFFECTING THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM AND OTHER HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS OF ENTITIES OF THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1080 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1002
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO URGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PERMANENTLY EXTEND THE TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT OF 2017.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1002 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

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HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1056

HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/ EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1080

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1002

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1002

On motion of Senator Heser, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 21, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Hester requested leave for Senators Hammer and Gilmore. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Stone.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 3 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 3

Amend Senate Bill No. 3 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Bentley

AND

Page 14, line 12, delete "Ninety-Fourth" and substitute "Ninety-Fifth"

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 3 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 63 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 63

Amend Senate Bill No. 63 as originally introduced:

Page 6, line 33, delete "Transportation" and substitute "Transformation"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 63 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 21, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 3, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO. 63, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 3 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 63 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 21, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 15, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 61, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 68, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 21, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 53, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 21, 2025

Madam. President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 18, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 56, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 21, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1080, BY REPRESENTATIVE EVANS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS STONE, GILMORE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE ARKANSAS FORESTRY DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL ON JANUARY 21, 2025.

Senate Resolution No. 3 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; PROVIDING THAT EACH COMMISSIONER SHALL REPRESENT A DISTRICT COMPRISED OF CERTAIN COUNTIES OF THE STATE; PROVIDING THAT A COMMISSIONER SHALL RESIDE WITHIN HIS OR HER DISTRICT; AMENDING AND CLARIFYING THE DUTIES OF THE SENATE REGARDING ADVICE AND CONSENT FOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AND THE REMOVAL OF COMMISSIONERS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AMENDMENT.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. Qualifications and appointment of members — Terms of office ~~of first commission~~.

(a) ~~Within ten days after the convening of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas in the year 1953, the~~ The Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate under subsection (c) of this section, shall appoint five (5) persons who are qualified electors of the State to constitute the State Highway Commission ~~for terms of two, four, six, eight and ten years respectively. The terms of the persons so appointed shall be determined by lot. The Commissioners to be appointed from the State at large; provided, however, that no two Commissioners shall be appointed from any single Congressional District~~.

(b)(1) The Commissioners shall be appointed as follows:

(A) One (1) Commissioner who resides within and represents District 1, which shall consist of the counites of Baxter, Boone, Carroll, Clay, Cleburne, Conway, Craighead, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Independence, Izard, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Newton, Pope, Randolph, Searcy, Sharp, Stone, and Van Buren;

(B) One (1) Commissioner who resides within and represents District 2, which shall consist of the counties of Faulkner, Pulaski, and Saline;

(C) One (1) Commissioner who resides within and represents District 3, which shall consist of the counties of Benton, Crawford, Sebastian, and Washington;

(D) One (1) Commissioner who resides within and represents District 4, which shall consist of the counties of Calhoun, Clark, Columbia, Dallas, Garland, Grant, Howard, Hot Spring, Hempstead, Howard, Lafayette, Little River, Logan, Miller, Nevada, Ouachita, Pike, Perry, Polk, Scott, Sevier, and Yell; and

(E) One (1) Commissioner who resides within and represents District 5, which shall consist of the counites of Arkansas, Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Cleveland, Crittenden, Cross, Desha, Drew, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee, Lincoln, Lonoke, Mississippi, Monroe, Phillips, Poinsett, Prairie, St. Francis, White, and Woodruff.

(2)(A) A Commissioner shall reside within the district he or she represents during his or her term.

(B) If a Commissioner no longer resides within the district he or she represents during his or her term, the Governor shall remove the Commissioner under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 4.

(c)(1) When the name of an appointee is submitted to the Senate for

advice and consent, only the members of the Senate who reside within the district under subsection (b) of this section that would be represented by the appointee shall provide advice and consent regarding the appointment.

(2) Advice and consent for an appointee to the Commission requires a majority vote of the members of the Senate considering the appointment under subdivision (c)(1) of this section.

(d)(1) In the event of rejection by the members of the Senate under subsection (c) of this section of a person whose name has been so submitted, the Governor shall within five (5) days after receipt of written notice from the Secretary of the Senate of such rejection submit the name of another appointee to fill such vacancy.

(2) In the event the Governor should within five (5) days thereafter fail to appoint or fail to submit to the Senate for confirmation the name of any person to be appointed, the members of the Senate who reside within the district under subsection (b) of this section subject to the appointment shall proceed to make the appointment of a Commissioner of ~~its~~ their own choice by a majority vote of the members of the Senate who reside within the district.

(e) A Commissioner shall serve a term of ten (10) years.

(f)(1) The General Assembly may, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of each house, amend the distribution of counties among districts under subsection (b) of this section in the regular session following each federal decennial census.

(2) If a redistribution of counties among districts under subdivision (f)(1) of this section results in a Commissioner no longer residing within the district he or she represents:

(A) A vacancy shall be declared by the Governor with regard to the Commissioner who no longer resides within the district as a result of the redistribution of counties; and

(B) A Commissioner shall be appointed under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 5 to fill the unexpired term.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 3, is repealed.

~~§ 3. Terms of office of members.~~

~~Upon the expiration of the foregoing terms of said Commissioners, a successor shall be appointed by the Governor in the manner provided for in Section~~

~~2 for a term of ten years, which term shall thereafter be for each member of the Commission.~~

SECTION 3. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 4, is amended to read as follows:

§ 4. Removal of members — Hearing — Review and appeal.

A Commissioner may be removed by the Governor only as provided in this amendment or for the same causes as apply to other constitutional officers after a hearing which may be reviewed by the ~~Chancery Court for the First District~~ Pulaski County Circuit Court, with right of appeal therefrom to the Supreme Court, such review and appeal to be without presumption in favor of any finding by the Governor or the trial court, and provided further, in addition to the right of confirmation hereinabove reserved to the Senate, the full membership of the Senate may, upon the written request of at least Five (5) of its members that a ~~member or members of the Commission~~ Commissioner should be removed therefrom, proceed, when in session, to hear any and all evidence pertinent to the reasons for removal. The ~~member or members~~ Commissioner whose removal is so requested shall be entitled to be heard in the matter and to be represented before the Senate by legal Counsel. These proceedings conducted by the Senate shall be public and a transcript of the testimony so heard shall be prepared and preserved in the journal of the Senate. The taking of evidence either orally or by deposition shall not be bound by the formal rules of evidence. Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Senate, sitting as a body in executive session, may remove ~~said member or members of the Commission~~ the Commissioner by a majority vote conducted by secret ballot.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Vacancies — Filling.

(a) Vacancies on the State Highway Commission due to resignations, death, ~~or~~ removal, or a Commissioner residing outside his or her district as a result of a redistribution of counties under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(f), shall be filled by appointment of the Governor for the unexpired term within thirty (30) days from the date of such vacancy.

(b) Upon failure of the Governor to fill the vacancy within thirty (30) days, the remaining Commissioners shall make the appointment for the unexpired term.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION.

(a) This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

(b) The changes to the membership of the State Highway Commission under Section 1 of this amendment shall be implemented by the filling of vacancies on the Commission as follows:

(1)(A) The Commissioner serving on the effective date of this amendment whose term expires in 2027 shall, upon the expiration of his or her term, be replaced by a Commissioner who shall reside within and represent District 1 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b).

(B) If a vacancy occurs in the position of the Commissioner whose term expires in 2027 prior to the expiration of his or her term:

(i) The appointment to fill the vacancy shall be for the unexpired term; and

(ii) The appointee to fill the vacancy shall reside within and represent District 1 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b);

(2)(A) The Commissioner serving on the effective date of this amendment whose term expires in 2029 shall, upon the expiration of his or her term, be replaced by a Commissioner who shall reside within and represent District 5 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b).

(B) If a vacancy occurs in the position of the Commissioner whose term expires in 2029 prior to the expiration of his or her term:

(i) The appointment to fill the vacancy shall be for the unexpired term; and

(ii) The appointee to fill the vacancy shall reside within and represent District 5 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b);

(3)(A) The Commissioner serving on the effective date of this amendment whose term expires in 2031 shall, upon the expiration of his or her term, be replaced by a Commissioner who shall reside within and represent District 3 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b).

(B) If a vacancy occurs in the position of the Commissioner whose term expires in 2031 prior to the expiration of his or her term:

(i) The appointment to fill the vacancy shall be for

the unexpired term; and

(ii) The appointee to fill the vacancy shall reside within and represent District 3 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b);

(4)(A) The Commissioner serving on the effective date of this amendment whose term expires in 2033 shall, upon the expiration of his or her term, be replaced by a Commissioner who shall reside within and represent District 2 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b).

(B) If a vacancy occurs in the position of the Commissioner whose term expires in 2033 prior to the expiration of his or her term:

(i) The appointment to fill the vacancy shall be for the unexpired term; and

(ii) The appointee to fill the vacancy shall reside within and represent District 2 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b); and

(5)(A) The Commissioner serving on the effective date of this amendment whose term expires in 2035 shall, upon the expiration of his or her term, be replaced by a Commissioner who shall reside within and represent District 4 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b).

(B) If a vacancy occurs in the position of the Commissioner whose term expires in 2035 prior to the expiration of his or her term:

(i) The appointment to fill the vacancy shall be for the unexpired term; and

(ii) The appointee to fill the vacancy shall reside within and represent District 4 under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, § 2(b).

SECTION 6. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment Concerning the Membership of the State Highway Commission; Providing That Each Member of the State Highway Commission Shall Represent a District Comprised of Certain Counties of the State; Providing That a Member of the State Highway

Commission Shall Reside Within His or Her District; Amending and Clarifying the Duties of the Senate Regarding Advice and Consent for Appointments to the State Highway Commission and the Removal of Commissioners; and Providing for the Implementation of the Amendment.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CRAWFORD, GRAMLICH

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF SCHOOLS AND THE RETIREMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS SHALL NOT APPEAR ON THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION BALLOT IF THE PROPOSED RATE OF TAX LEVY IS THE SAME AS THE RATE OF TAX LEVY LAST APPROVED WHEN A RATE OF TAX LEVY APPEARED ON THE BALLOT; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION SHALL NOT BE HELD IF THE RATE OF TAX LEVY DOES NOT APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AND THERE ARE NO OTHER MATTERS TO BE DECIDED.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION SHALL NOT BE HELD IF THE PROPOSED RATE OF TAX LEVY IS THE SAME AS LAST APPROVED AND NO OTHER MATTERS ARE TO BE DECIDED.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Constitution, Article 14 § 3(c), concerning ad valorem property tax assessments for the benefit of school districts, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1)(A) In addition to the uniform rate of tax provided in subsection (b) of this section, school districts are authorized to levy, by a vote of the qualified electors respectively thereof, an annual ad valorem property tax on the assessed value of taxable real, personal, and utility property for the maintenance and operation of schools and the retirement of indebtedness.

(B) The Board of Directors of each school district shall prepare, approve and make public not less than sixty (60) days in advance of the annual school election a proposed budget of expenditures deemed necessary to provide for the foregoing purposes, together with a rate of tax levy sufficient to provide the funds therefor, including the rate under any continuing tax levy for the retirement of indebtedness.

(C)(i) The Board of Directors shall submit the rate of tax levy at the annual school election or at such other time as may be provided by law.

(ii) If the proposed rate of tax levy under subdivision (c)(1)(B) of this section is the same as the rate of tax levy last approved at an annual school election or at such other time as may be provided by law, then:

(a) The tax shall be collected at the rate last approved at an annual school election or at such other time as provided by law; and

(b)(1) The rate of tax levy shall not appear on the ballot at the annual school election or otherwise be presented to the voters.

(2) If the rate of tax levy does not appear on the ballot and there are no other matters to be decided at the annual school election, the annual school election shall not be held.

(D)(i) If a majority of the qualified voters in the school district voting in the school election approve the rate of tax levy proposed by the Board of Directors, then the tax at the rate approved shall be collected as provided by law.

(ii)(a) In the event a majority of the qualified electors voting in the school election disapprove the proposed rate of tax levy, then the tax shall be collected at the rate approved in the last preceding school election.

(b) ~~However, if~~ If the rate of tax last approved has been modified pursuant to subsection (b) or subdivision (c)(2) of this section, then the tax shall be collected at the modified rate until another rate is approved.

(2) The tax levied by a school district pursuant to ~~subsection~~ subdivision (c)(1) of this section may be reduced pursuant to procedures provided by law if the tax would cause the state or district to be out of compliance with any other provision of this Constitution, the United States Constitution, state or federal law, or court order.

(3) No tax levied pursuant to ~~subsection~~ subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall be appropriated to any other district than that for which it is levied.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution shall be effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 3. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment Providing that an Annual Ad Valorem Tax for the Maintenance and Operation of Schools and the Retirement of Indebtedness Shall Not Appear on the Annual School Election Ballot if the Proposed Rate of Tax Levy is the Same as the Rate of Tax Levy Last Approved When a Rate of Tax Levy Appeared on the Ballot; and Providing that the Annual School Election Shall Not Be Held if the Rate of Tax Levy Does Not Appear

on the Ballot and There Are No Other Matters to be Decided.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 79
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SERVICE CREDIT FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS PARTICIPATING IN A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PERMIT A CHANGE IN THE DATE OF RETIREMENT IN THE CASE OF A NON-CONTRIBUTORY MEMBER WITH SERVICE IN BOTH THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM WHEN THE MEMBER HAS CONTINUOUS SERVICE IN ONE SYSTEM AND ERRONEOUSLY RETIRED FROM COVERED EMPLOYMENT WITH BOTH SYSTEMS WHEN CHANGING COVERED EMPLOYMENT; TO ALLOW FOR A CHANGE OF SELECTION OF RETIREMENT ANNUITY UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 79 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 80

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNOR'S LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS DURING THE NINETY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 80 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 81

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - STATE PARKS AND TOURISM DIVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 81 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 82
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SALES AND USE TAX APPLICABLE TO PURCHASES OF NEW OR USED MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AND SEMITRAILERS; TO INCREASE THE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR USED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE REDUCED SALES AND USE TAX RATE APPLICABLE TO PURCHASES OF USED MOTOR VEHICLES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 82 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 83
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR BREAST RECONSTRUCTION SURGERIES; TO REQUIRE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FOR BREAST RECONSTRUCTION SURGERIES; TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR BREAST RECONSTRUCTION SURGERIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 83 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Stone, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Resolution No. 3.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was called up for third reading.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE JOINT RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 1 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATE EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 1 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 1.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Gilmore, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 1, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Gilmore, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 1 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1002 was called up for third reading.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1002
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO URGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PERMANENTLY EXTEND THE TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT OF 2017.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1002 was read the third time and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1002 was returned to the House as concurred in.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Resolution No. 3 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS STONE, GILMORE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE ARKANSAS FORESTRY DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL ON JANUARY 21, 2025.

Senate Resolution No. 3 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

SENATE BILL NO. 84

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS IN WATERSHEDS AND OTHER BODIES OF WATER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 84 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 85

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLLOWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PRESERVE PUBLIC PROPERTY; TO PRESERVE TIMBER AT THE PINE TREE RESEARCH STATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 85 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 86
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROHIBITION ON NONPROFIT, TAX EXEMPT, OR GOVERNMENTALLY FUNDED HOSPITALS FROM HOLDING A LICENSED PHARMACY PERMIT FOR THE SALE AT RETAIL OF DRUGS; TO SET RESTRICTIONS ON PHARMACY CONTRACTING AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 86 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 87
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COUNTY PLANNING; TO CREATE A PENALTY FOR VIOLATING A SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE; TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF A COUNTY PLANNING BOARD TO RESIDE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 87 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED & EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 1

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE HOUSE AS ADOPTED

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED
TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1002

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 22, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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TENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 22, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Blake Johnson.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 24 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 24

JBC Error Correction

Amend Senate Bill No. 24 as originally introduced:

Page 4, immediately following line 22 insert an additional item to read as follows:

"(44.1) Q294U AGFC BIOLOGIST 1 3 $75,004"

AND

Page 5, line 17, delete "644" and substitute "647".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 24 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 50 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC, HEALTH & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 50

Amend Senate Bill No. 50 as originally introduced:

add Senator J. English

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 50 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 22, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 24, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HALL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 24 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 50 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 22, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 13, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 88
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 88 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 15 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 15
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NEGLIGENT DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS WHILE HUNTING DEER; TO REPEAL § 15-43-205; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 15 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 15. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Scott.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 15 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 18 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 18
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR OF IMPROPER OR ILLEGAL PRACTICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 18 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 18. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 18 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 56 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 56
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE EVALUATION, EXTENSION, AND REPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 56 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 56. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 56 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 61 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 61
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE VETERINARY TELEMEDICINE IN THIS STATE; TO SET CERTAIN STANDARDS FOR VETERINARY TELEMEDICINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 61 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Dees, Stubblefield.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 61 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 68 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 68

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR HILL

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW VETERINARY TECHNICIANS, VETERINARY TECHNOLOGISTS, AND VETERINARY TECHNICIAN SPECIALISTS TO GO TO A LOCATION OTHER THAN THE LOCATION OF THE SUPERVISING VETERINARIAN TO PROVIDE SERVICES BASED ON AN EMERGENCY CALL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 68 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 68. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Dees.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 68 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Resolution No. 1 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR ST. BERNARDS MEDICAL CENTER IN JONESBORO FOR BEING THE FIRST MEDICAL FACILITY IN THE STATE TO OPEN A MATERNAL LIFE360 HOME.

Senate Resolution No. 1 was read third reading and adopted

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1080 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1080
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR A FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ANY PROPOSED LEGISLATION IMPOSING A NEW OR INCREASED COST OBLIGATION FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS ON AN ENTITY OF THE STATE; TO REPEAL THE BILL FILING DEADLINE FOR BILLS AFFECTING THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM AND OTHER HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS OF ENTITIES OF THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1080 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1080. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, C. Penzo.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1080 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 53 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 53
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MAINTAINING AND OPERATING A CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY CLERKS, CIRCUIT CLERKS, COUNTY TREASURERS, COUNTY COLLECTORS AND COUNTY CORONERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 53 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 53.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 53, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 53 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 89

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INFORMATION THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL PROVIDE ELECTRONICALLY WITH RESPECT TO ITS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 89 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 90

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT PUBLIC COMMENT AT EACH MEETING OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 90 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: State of Arkansas

95th General Assembly

Regular Session, 2025

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO REPEAL THE OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO REPEAL THE OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution to repeal the office of Lieutenant Governor.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 5 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1110
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR ANIMAL RESCUE SHELTERS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1110 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1111
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1111 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1113
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PAYMENT OF THE MATURING BONDS AND INTEREST OF THE COLLEGE SAVINGS AND HIGHER EDUCATION GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND THE STATE WATER, WASTE DISPOSAL, AND POLLUTION ABATEMENT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1113 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 1 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1001
As Engrossed: H1/15/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: HOUSE MANAGEMENT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES, PAY EXPENSES OF MEMBERS, PAY SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES, PAY FOR SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1001 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1102
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE TURNBACK FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1102 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1108
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE REFUND OF LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1108 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1109
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF AMENDMENT 74 FUNDS TO COUNTIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1109 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 22, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 1, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:04 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for her approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 1

RECEIVED the above paper from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty-second day of January, 2025 at 3:18 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY)

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 15
SENATE BILL NO. 18
SENATE BILL NO. 56
SENATE BILL NO. 61
SENATE BILL NO. 68

SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED & EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 53

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED & EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 1

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED & EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1001
HOUSE BILL NO. 1102
HOUSE BILL NO. 1108
HOUSE BILL NO. 1109
HOUSE BILL NO. 1110
HOUSE BILL NO. 1111
HOUSE BILL NO. 1113

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1080

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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ELEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH General Assembly

Regular Session, 2025

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 23, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 11:00 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Leding requested leave for Senator King. Senator Hester requested leave for Senator Bryant. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Petty.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 23, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 70, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 23, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 76, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD, VICE CHAIRMAN

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 13 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 13
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CIVIL ACTIONS BROUGHT BY CERTAIN VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE; TO ALLOW A CLAIM TO BE BROUGHT FOR INJURY CAUSED BY CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AT ANY TIME IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 13 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 13. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.13 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1001 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1001
As Engrossed: H1/15/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: HOUSE MANAGEMENT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES, PAY EXPENSES OF MEMBERS, PAY SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES, PAY FOR SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1001 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1001. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1001, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1001 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1102 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1102
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE TURNBACK FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1102 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1102, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1102 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1108 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1108
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE REFUND OF LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1108 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1108, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1108 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1109 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1109
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF AMENDMENT 74 FUNDS TO COUNTIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1109 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1109, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1109 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1110 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1110
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR ANIMAL RESCUE SHELTERS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1110 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1110, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1110 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1111 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1111
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1111 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1111, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1111 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1113 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1113
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PAYMENT OF THE MATURING BONDS AND INTEREST OF THE COLLEGE SAVINGS AND HIGHER EDUCATION GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND THE STATE WATER, WASTE DISPOSAL, AND POLLUTION ABATEMENT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1113 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1113, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1113 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 91
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES RAY, B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS SHALL HAVE NO AUTHORITY TO REGULATE OR CONTROL THE AMOUNT CHARGED FOR A RENTAL APPLICATION FEE OR RENTAL DEPOSIT FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 91 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 92
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 92 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 93
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 93 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPHARD

A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO URGE THE ARKANSAS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT TAX ACT TO WAIVE THE "REASONABLE ASSURANCE" CLAUSE TO ALLOW HOURLY NINE-MONTH EMPLOYEES OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS DURING THE SUMMER.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO WELCOME LIEUTENANT GENERAL (RETIRED) JAY B. SILVERIA AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS SYSTEM.

Senate Resolution No. 4 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 94
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT FOR NEW ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE DEALERS AND NEW LOW SPEED VEHICLE DEALERS TO MAINTAIN SERVICE AND PARTS STORAGE AREAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 94 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006

As Engrossed: H1/22/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER

BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REDESIGNATE THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS A DIVISION A JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS IT RELATES TO PROSECUTING *ATTORNEYS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1006 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1050

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN POINSETT COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1050 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1075
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO LIMIT THE REGULATION AND TAXATION OF LAWN CARE DEVICES; TO PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM REGULATING THE SALE OR USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE OR IMPOSING A TAX OR FEE ON THE USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1075 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1133
As Engrossed: H1/22/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNGER, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE; TO AUTHORIZE NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE TO APPOINT A PRESIDENT WITH AN INDUSTRY *BACKGROUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1133 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1137
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WALKER
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN SEARCY COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1137 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 95
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ACHOR, GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT; TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF "ATHLETE" WITHIN THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 95 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 96
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DETACHMENT BY A REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY; TO REPEAL REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY DETACHMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 96 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 97
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL RETAIL LIQUOR PERMITS TO CERTAIN EXISTING HOLDERS OF RETAIL LIQUOR PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 97 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 98
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AUTHORIZE THE THIRD-PARTY DELIVERY OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM CERTAIN RETAILERS; TO CREATE A THIRD-PARTY DELIVERY PERMIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 98 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 99
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT TO DELEGATE CERTAIN TASKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 99 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 100

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO RECOGNIZE A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT AS A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 100 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 101

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSURE COMPACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 101 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 102

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CANVASSERS FOR LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPENSATION OF PAID CANVASSERS FOR LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 102 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 13

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED & EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1001

HOUSE BILL NO. 1102

HOUSE BILL NO. 1108

HOUSE BILL NO. 1109

HOUSE BILL NO. 1110

HOUSE BILL NO. 1111

HOUSE BILL NO. 1113

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1050
HOUSE BILL NO. 1075
HOUSE BILL NO. 1137

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED & EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006
HOUSE BILL NO. 1133

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m, Monday, January 27, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 27, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Wallace.

The Senate was led in prayer by the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 47 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment Nos. 1 & 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 47

Amend Senate Bill No. 47 as originally introduced:

Add Senators M. McKee, C. Penzo

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 47 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 47

Amend Senate Bill No. 47 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete liens 9 through 13, and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO DEFINE "CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY" UNDER THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO MODIFY THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE DEFINITIONS OF

"MONEY" AND "DEPOSIT ACCOUNT";
TO MODIFY THE DEFINITIONS OF
"DEPOSIT" AND "DEPOSIT ACCOUNT"
UNDER THE ARKANSAS BANKING
CODE OF 1997; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE UNIFORM
COMMERCIAL CODE; TO DEFINE
"CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY"
UNDER THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL
CODE; TO MODIFY THE UNIFORM
COMMERCIAL CODE DEFINITIONS;
AND TO MODIFY THE ARKANSAS
BANKING CODE OF 1997."

AND

Page 2, delete line 17, and substitute the following:
"evidenced by an instrument.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 23-45-102(17), concerning the definitions of "deposit" and "deposit account" under the Arkansas Banking Code of 1997, is amended to read as follows:

(17)(A) “Deposit” and “deposit account” mean ~~the unpaid balance of money or its equivalent received or held by a bank in the usual course of its banking business and which represents a liability of the bank, for which it has given or is obligated to give credit, either conditionally or unconditionally, to a checking, savings, time or similar account, or that is evidenced by its certificate of deposit or similar certificate or a check or draft drawn against a deposit account and certified by the bank or a draft or cashier's, officer's, or traveler's check or money order or similar instrument on which the bank is primarily liable, and that has not been paid and other obligations or instruments of a bank that may be included in the definition of “deposit” or “deposit account” in department rules~~ a demand, time, savings, passbook, or similar account maintained with a bank.

(B) "Deposit" and "deposit account" do not include investment property, central bank digital currency, or accounts evidenced by an instrument;"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 47 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 89 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 89

Amend Senate Bill No. 89 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 3, and substitute the following:
"four (24) hours following the approval of the minutes at a regular or special meeting of"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 89 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 90

Amend Senate Bill No. 90 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 28, delete "public comment." and substitute "public comment before the commencement of business at the meeting of the board of directors."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 94 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 94

Amend Senate Bill No. 94 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 3 through 5, and substitute the following:
"dealer is not required to:

(A) Have a dedicated service and parts area inside of the building or structure wherein the dealer's established business is conducted; or

(B) Perform repair and warranty services on a motor vehicle at the licensed location."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 94 was ordered engrossed.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

January 27, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President Pro Tempore:

This is to inform you that on January 27, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 1 - ACT 9

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 47, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 89, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 90, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 94, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 47 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 89 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 94 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 46, BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1133, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNGER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 103
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE'S ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO AMEND THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; TO CREATE THE PHARMACY NONDISCRIMINATION ACT; TO REQUIRE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS TO ACCEPT ANY PHARMACY OR PHARMACIST WILLING TO ACCEPT RELEVANT AND REASONABLE TERMS OF PARTICIPATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 103 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 104
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO PROTECT PATIENTS' RIGHTS AND ACCESS TO MEDICATIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 104 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 105

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT BATESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 105 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 106

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 106 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 107
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 107 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 108
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SAU-TECH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 108 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 109
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 109 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 110
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTIFIED NURSE AIDES OR CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS WHO PROVIDE IN-HOME SERVICES TO BENEFICIARIES IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO PERFORM ADDITIONAL CARE AND DUTIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 110 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 4 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO WELCOME LIEUTENANT GENERAL (RETIRED) JAY B. SILVERIA AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS SYSTEM.

Senate Resolution No. 4 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 70 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 70
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HICKEY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STANDARDS FOR INSURANCE POLICIES; TO REVISE THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF AN INSURER FOR A PREMIUM INCREASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 70 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 70. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill 70 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 76 was called up for third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 76
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MISCELLANEOUS PROHIBITED PRACTICES UNDER THE ARKANSAS INSURANCE CODE; TO CLARIFY FEES COLLECTED BY CERTAIN BROKERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 76 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 76. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 76 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, and without objection, the House was requested to return House Bill No. 1102 for further consideration.

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

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ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

RECALL LETTER FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 1102

January 27, 2025

Chief Clerk of the House
State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks::

The Senate respectfully requests the recall of House Bill No. 1102 to the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 102 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 102 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE AND RECOGNIZE NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 26-FEBRUARY 1.

Senate Resolution No. 5 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 111
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE DENTIST AND DENTAL HYGIENIST COMPACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 111 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Senate Bill No. 53 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1005
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATORS HILL, J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING TUITION WAIVERS FOR ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN TO INCLUDE PROGRAMS OF STUDY LEADING TO A POSTSECONDARY CERTIFICATE OR CREDENTIAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1005 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FRANK BROYLES PUBLICITY RIGHTS PROTECTION ACT OF 2016; TO PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE PHOTOGRAPH, VOICE, OR LIKENESS IS REPRODUCED THROUGH MEANS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND USED COMMERCIALLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1071 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 53, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 2:26 p.m. delivered it to the Governor for her approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 53

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty-seventh day of January, 2025 at 2:42 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS,
GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) BLAKE MEYER, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 16, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 45, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 112
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - BEEBE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 112 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 113
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - NEWPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 113 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 114
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY THREE RIVERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 114 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 115
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT MORRILTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 115 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 116
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - SYSTEM AND VARIOUS DIVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 116 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 117
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN PRACTICE ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE OF NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; TO CREATE A NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 117 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 118
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "AUDIOLOGY" RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF AUDIOLOGISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 118 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 119
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 119 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 120
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, UNGER, RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE LICENSURE FOR ALL PRIVATE CARE AGENCIES IN THIS STATE; TO ENSURE CONSUMER PROTECTION FOR VULNERABLE AGING ADULTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 120 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 121
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT; TO APPLY THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 121 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 122
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT; TO APPLY THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT TO PHYSICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 122 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 123
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COVERAGE FOR MAMMOGRAMS AND BREAST ULTRASOUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 123 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 124
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 124 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 125
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 125 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 126
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT PINE BLUFF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 126 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 127
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - FAYETTEVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 127 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 128
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 128 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

SENATE BILL NO. 129
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 129 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 130
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 130 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 131
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CONFIRM THE LAW RELATED TO PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; TO CONFIRM THE LAW RELATED TO THE ASSESSMENT OF A HOMESTEAD BELONGING TO A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY OR A PERSON SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 131 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 70
SENATE BILL NO. 76

SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED /EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED & ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 53

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1005
HOUSE BILL NO. 1071

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SIXTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 28, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Philip Slaughter.

The President of the Senate led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 48 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 48

Amend Senate Bill No. 48 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 24, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-79-168 is amended to read as follows:

23-79-168. Deductible based on percentage of insured value — Disclosure required.

~~A~~ An owner-occupied residential property insurance policy issued or renewed in this state that bases the deductible under the insurance policy for any loss, other than a loss due to an earthquake, on a percentage of the insured value of the insured property shall disclose to the insured the monetary amount of the deductible, other than for a loss due to an earthquake, on the policy declaration page or notice of renewal of the policy.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 79, Subchapter 1, is"

AND

Page 1, line 27, delete "for residential" and substitute "for owner-occupied residential"

AND

Page 1, line 32, delete "for residential" and substitute "for owner-occupied residential"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 48 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 28, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 48, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 48 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 28, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 97, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 28, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1050, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1075, REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1137, BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 28, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 3, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO. 63, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 132
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO OTHER APPROPRIATIONS MADE BY THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PAY APPROVED CLAIMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 132 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 133
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, J. DOTSON, M. MCKEE, C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BEATY, JR., L. JOHNSON, LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO DEFINE "CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY" UNDER THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO MODIFY THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE DEFINITIONS OF "MONEY" AND "DEPOSIT ACCOUNT"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 133 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 134
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO REDUCE THE STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO REDUCE THE STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 134 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 6
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE JANUARY 29, 2025, AS MENTAL HEALTH DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 6 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator J. Dotson, Senate Resolution No. 5 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE AND RECOGNIZE NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 26-FEBRUARY 1.

Senate Resolution No. 5 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator J. Boyd, Senate Bill No. 16 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 16
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM AT A TRAIN; TO INCREASE THE FINE THAT MAY BE IMPOSED FOR THE DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM AT A TRAIN OR FOR THROWING OTHER OBJECTS AT A TRAIN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 16 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Love, Scott.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, Irvin.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.16 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 45 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 45
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT WOMEN VETERANS; TO REPEAL THE PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 45 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 45. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 45 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Bill No. 46 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 46
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATORS CALDWELL, R. MURDOCK
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HOLLOWELL, BARNETT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE; TO REFLECT A MERGER BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AND EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BY CHANGING THE NAME OF EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE; TO REPEAL PORTIONS OF THE LAW CONCERNING A PREVIOUS MERGER INVOLVING EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 46 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 46. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.46 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1133 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1133
As Engrossed: H1/22/25
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNGER, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE; TO AUTHORIZE NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE TO APPOINT A PRESIDENT WITH AN INDUSTRY *BACKGROUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1133 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1133. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1133, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1133 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on Monday, January 27, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised the names on the January 28, 2025 List were approved by the Committee in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch.

Senator King requested to pull Grant Hodges to be voted on separately from the batch.

Senator Davis moved the Senate confirm the remaining names on the January 28, 2025 List of the appointments approved by the Senate Rules Committee in a batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The January 28, 2025 List of the appointments was confirmed.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS - JANUARY 28, 2025 FLOOR LIST

(Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly)

- **Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine:**
  1) Dr. Laurel Tait - Senator Tucker
  2) Dr. Naval Patel - Senator Love
  3) Keri Cody - Senator Hickey

- **Arkansas Early Childhood Commission:**
  1) Haley Elizabeth Sisson - Senator Tucker
  2) Lorrie McClure - Senator Payton
  3) Tyra Marie Greenwood - Senator English

- **Arkansas Natural Resources Commission:**
  1) David Gilbert - Senator Rice

- **Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission:**
  1) Thomas McWilliams - Senator Crowell

- **Arkansas Rural Development Commission:**
  1) Andrea Allen - Senator Sullivan
  2) Jimmie Donald Guess, Jr. - Senator Caldwell
  3) Jonathan Baugh - Senator Irvin
  4) Wendell Grubb - Senator Stubblefield

- **Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners:**
  1) Dr. Gregory Ungerank - Senator Caldwell

- **Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy:**
  1) Walter Lyn Fruchey - Senator Mark Johnson

- **Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy:**
  1) Donald Pierce - Senator McKee
  2) Rachel Schaefer - Senator Stone

- **Arkansas State Medical Board:**
  1) Mark Camp - Senator Tucker

- **Arkansas Tobacco Control Board:**
  1) Mark Wren - Senator Hickey

- **Arkansas Workforce Development Board:**
  1) Judge Brandon Ellison - Senator Rice
  2) Ken Warden - Senator Stubblefield
  3) Len Everette Blaylock, lll - Senator Gilmore
  4) Mayro Ray Bowman - Senator Payton

- **Board of Corrections:**
  1) Grant Hodges - Senator Dotson

- **Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas:**
  1) Brent Staley - Senator Love
  2) Robert Craine - Senator Bryant

- **Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology:**
  1) Hope Wofford - Senator Hammer
  2) Mary White - Senator Stone
  3) Rebecca Rusnak - Senator English

- **Martin Luther King Jr. Commission:**
  1) Roderick Rogers - Senator Stone

- **Medical Marijuana Commission:**
  1) Kevin Case - Senator Tucker

- **Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Veteran Affairs:**
  1) Colonel (Ret) Richard Ator, ll - Senator Clark

- **State Banking Board:**
  1) Todd Smith - Senator Corwell

- **State Highway Commission:**
  1) Jerry Halsey - Senator Sullivan

- **State Library Board:**
  1) Sydney McKenzie - Senator Bryant
- **State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission:**
  1) Clint Gaston - Senator Flippo
  2) Gordon Mitchell Allen, lll - Senator Tucker
  3) Jordan Wright - Senator Leding
  4) Marshall Ney - Senator Hester

Senator Davis moved to confirm the appointment of Grant Hodges to the Board of Corrections.

Senator King was recognized and spoke against the motion to confirm Grant Hodges.

By voice vote, the motion to approve the appointment of Grant Hodges to the Board of Corrections carried.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Laurel Tait, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Laurel Tait will serve a term to expire August 31, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Laurel Tait by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Laurel Tait stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Naval Patel, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Naval Patel will serve a term to expire August 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Naval Patel by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Naval Patel stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Frederick J. Love

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Keri Cody of Little River County, to the Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Keri Cody will serve a term to expire August 31, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Keri Cody by vote of the full Senate.

Keri Cody stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Haley Elizabeth Sisson of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Early Childhood Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Haley Elizabeth Sisson will serve a term to expire June 30, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Haley Elizabeth Sisson by vote of the full Senate.

Haley Elizabeth Sisson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Lorrie McClure of Independence County, to the Arkansas Early Childhood Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Lorrie McClure will serve a term to expire June 30, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Lorrie McClure by vote of the full Senate.

Lorrie McClure stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Tyra Marie Greenwood of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Early Childhood Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Tyra Marie Greenwood will serve a term to expire June 30, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Tyra Marie Greenwood by vote of the full Senate.

Tyra Marie Greenwood stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate David Gilbert of Polk County, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, David Gilbert will serve a term to expire January 14, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of David Gilbert by vote of the full Senate.

David Gilbert stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Thomas McWilliams of Columbia County, to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Thomas McWilliams will serve a term to expire March 29, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Thomas McWilliams by vote of the full Senate.

Thomas McWilliams stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Andrea Allen of Craighead County, to the Arkansas Rural Development Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Andrea Allen will serve a term to expire December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Andrea Allen by vote of the full Senate.

Andrea Allen stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Jimmie Donald Guess, Jr. of Prairie County, to the Arkansas Rural Development Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jimmie Donald Guess, Jr. will serve a term to expire December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jimmie Donald Guess, Jr. by vote of the full Senate.

Jimmie Donald Guess, Jr. stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ronald Caldwell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Jonathan Baugh of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Rural Development Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jonathan Baugh will serve a term to expire December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jonathan Baugh by vote of the full Senate.

Jonathan Baugh stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Wendell Grubb of Franklin County, to the Arkansas Rural Development Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Wendell Grubb will serve a term to expire December 31, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Wendell Grubb by vote of the full Senate.

Wendell Grubb stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Gary Stubblefield

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Gregory Ungerank of Cross County, to the Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Gregory Ungerank will serve a term to expire June 9, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Gregory Ungerank by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Gregory Ungerank stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ronald Caldwell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Walter Lyn Fruchey of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Walter Lyn Fruchey will serve a term to expire June 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Walter Lyn Fruchey by vote of the full Senate.

Walter Lyn Fruchey stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Donald Pierce of Garland County, to the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Donald Pierce will serve a term to expire July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Donald Pierce by vote of the full Senate.

Donald Pierce stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Rachel Schaefer of Grant County, to the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rachel Schaefer will serve a term to expire July 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rachel Schaefer by vote of the full Senate.

Rachel Schaefer stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
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Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Mark Camp of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas State Medical Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Mark Camp will serve a term to expire December 31, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Mark Camp by vote of the full Senate.

Mark Camp stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Mark Wren of Miller County, to the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Mark Wren will serve a term to expire July 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Mark Wren by vote of the full Senate.

Mark Wren stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Judge Brandon Ellison of Polk County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Judge Brandon Ellison will serve a term to expire May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Judge Brandon Ellison by vote of the full Senate.

Judge Brandon Ellison stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
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Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Ken Warden of Franklin County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Ken Warden will serve a term to expire May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Ken Warden by vote of the full Senate.

Ken Warden stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Gary Stubblefield

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Len Everette Blaylock III of Bradley County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Len Everette Blaylock III will serve a term to expire May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Len Everette Blaylock III by vote of the full Senate.

Len Everette Blaylock III stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Mayor Ray Bowman of Independence County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Mayor Ray Bowman will serve a term to expire May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Mayor Ray Bowman by vote of the full Senate.

Mayor Ray Bowman stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Grant Hodges of Benton County, to the Board of Corrections. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Grant Hodges will serve a term to expire December 31, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Grant Hodges by vote of the full Senate.

Grant Hodges stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Brent Staley of Pulaski County, to the Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brent Staley will serve a term to expire June 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brent Staley by vote of the full Senate.

Brent Staley stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Frederick J. Love

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Robert Craine of Madison County, to the Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Robert Craine will serve a term to expire June 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Robert Craine by vote of the full Senate.

Robert Craine stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Joshua Bryant

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Hope Woffard of Saline County, to the Board of Examiners in Speech - Language Pathology and Audiology. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Hope Woffard will serve a term to expire June 30, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Hope Woffard by vote of the full Senate.

Hope Woffard stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Mary White of Union County, to the Board of Examiners in Speech - Language Pathology and Audiology. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Mary White will serve a term to expire June 30, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Mary White by vote of the full Senate.

Mary White stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Rebecca Rusnak of Pulaski County, to the Board of Examiners in Speech - Language Pathology and Audiology. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rebecca Rusnak will serve a term to expire June 30, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rebecca Rusnak by vote of the full Senate.

Rebecca Rusnak stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Roderick Rogers of Dallas County, to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Roderick Rogers will serve a term to expire September 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Roderick Rogers by vote of the full Senate.

Roderick Rogers stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Kevin Case of Pulaski County, to the Medical Marijuana Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kevin Case will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kevin Case by vote of the full Senate.

Kevin Case stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 17, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Colonel (Ret) Richard Ator II, of Pulaski County, as the Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Colonel (Ret) Richard Ator II will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Colonel (Ret) Richard Ator II, by vote of the full Senate.

Colonel (Ret) Richard Ator II stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Todd Smith of Columbia County, to the State Banking Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Todd Smith will serve a term to expire December 31, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Todd Smith by vote of the full Senate.

Todd Smith stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 17, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Jerry Halsey of Craighead County, to the State Highway Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jerry Halsey will serve a term to expire January 14, 2035.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jerry Halsey by vote of the full Senate.

Jerry Halsey stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Sydney McKenzie of Benton County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sydney McKenzie will serve a term to expire October 18, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sydney McKenzie by vote of the full Senate.

Sydney McKenzie stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Joshua Bryant

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Clint Gaston of Baxter County, to the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Clint Gaston will serve a term to expire January 14, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Clint Gaston by vote of the full Senate.

Clint Gaston stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Gordon Mitchell Allen II of Pulaski County, to the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Gordon Mitchell Allen II will serve a term to expire January 14, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Gordon Mitchell Allen II by vote of the full Senate.

Gordon Mitchell Allen II stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Jordan Wright of Washington County, to the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jordan Wright will serve a term to expire January 14, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jordan Wright by vote of the full Senate.

Jordan Wright stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Marshall Ney of Benton County, to the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Marshall Ney will serve a term to expire January 14, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Marshall Ney by vote of the full Senate.

Marshall Ney stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

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January 28, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Dr. Laurel Tait of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine for a term to expire August 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Dr. Naval Patel of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine for a term to expire August 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Frederick Love

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Dr. Keri Cody of Little River County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine for a term to expire August 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Haley Elizabeth Sisson of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Early Childhood Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Lorrie McClure of Independence County as a member of the Arkansas Early Childhood Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator John Payton

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Tyra Marie Greenwood of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Early Childhood Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of David Gilbert of Polk County as a member of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Terry Rice

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Thomas McWilliams of Columbia County as a member of the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission for a term to expire March 29, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Steve Crowell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Andrea Allen of Craighead County as a member of the Arkansas Rural Development Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Dan Sullivan

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Jimmie Donald Guess, Jr. of Prairie County as a member of the Arkansas Rural Development Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Ron Caldwell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Jonathan Baugh of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Rural Development Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Wendell Grubb of Franklin County as a member of the Arkansas Rural Development Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Gary Stubblefield

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Dr. Gregory Ungerank of Cross County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for a term to expire June 9, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Ronald Caldwell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Walter Lyn Fruchey of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy for a term to expire June 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Mark Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Donald Pierce of Garland County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy for a term to expire July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Matt McKee

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Rachel Schaefer of Grant County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy for a term to expire July 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Matt Stone

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Mark Camp of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas State Medical Board for a term to expire December 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Mark Wren of Miller County as a member of the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board for a term to expire July 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr.

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Judge Brandon Ellison of Polk County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Terry Rice

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Ken Warden of Franklin County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Gary Stubblefield

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Len Everette Blaylock III of Bradley County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Mayor Ray Bowman of Independence County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Grant Hodges of Benton County as a member of the Board of Corrections for a term to expire December 31, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Jim Dotson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Brent Staley of Pulaski County as a member of the Board of Electrical Examiners for a term to expire June 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Fredrick J. Love

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Robert Craine of Madison County as a member of the Board of Electrical Examiners for a term to expire June 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Joshua Bryant

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Hope Wofford of Saline County as a member of the Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for a term to expire June 30, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Mary White of Union County as a member of the Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Rebecca Rusnak of Pulaski County as a member of the Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for a term to expire June 30, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Roderick Rogers of Dallas County as a member of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission for a term to expire September 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Matt Stone

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January 28, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Kevin Case of Pulaski County as a member of the Medical Marijuana Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Todd Smith of Columbia County as a member of the State Banking Board for a term to expire December 31, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Senator Steve Crowell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Sydney McKenzie of Benton County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire October 18, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Joshua Bryant

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Clint Gaston of Baxter County as a member of the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Scott Flippo

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Gordon Mitchell Allen II of Pulaski County as a member of the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Jordan Wright of Washington County as a member of the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Greg Leding

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Marshall Ney of Benton County as a member of the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Bart Hester

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Colonel (Ret.) Richard Ator II of Pulaski County as the Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs. Co. Ator will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Alan Clark

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Jerry Halsey of Craighead County as a member of the State Highway Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2035.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Senator Dan Sullivan

SENATE BILL NO. 135
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ELECTION REQUIREMENTS IN THE CASE OF AN UNCHANGED RATE OF AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX LEVIED BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 135 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 136
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RIGHT TO TRY INDIVIDUALIZED INVESTIGATIONAL TREATMENT ACT; TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR PATIENTS TO TRY INDIVIDUALIZED INVESTIGATIONAL TREATMENTS; TO ENSURE THAT PATIENTS WITH LIFE-THREATENING OR SEVERELY DEBILITATING ILLNESS HAVE ACCESS TO INDIVIDUALIZED INVESTIGATIONAL TREATMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 136 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 137
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PERMIT HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO MAINTAIN MEDICAL RECORDS IN AN ELECTRONIC FORMAT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 137 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 138
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING WAR REENACTMENTS AT SCHOOLS; TO PERMIT AN UNLOADED FIREARM OR REPLICA OF A FIREARM AT CERTAIN WAR REENACTMENTS AT SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 138 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR DEES

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS AS RECIPIENT IN 2024 OF A VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR AWARD AND THE MOST INNOVATIVE CITY AWARD BY ENGAGE ARKANSAS, THE FLOODPLAIN COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR AWARD BY THE ARKANSAS FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC., AND A TRENDSETTER CITY AWARD BY ARKANSAS BUSINESS.

Senate Resolution No. 7 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 16
SENATE BILL NO. 45
SENATE BILL NO. 46

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED & EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1133

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 29, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SEVENTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

January 29, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Derek Collins.

The Senate was let in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Bill No. 17 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 17

Amend Senate Bill No. 17 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 34, delete "ten thousand dollars ($10,000)" and substitute "fifty thousand dollars ($50,000)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR FRED LOVE

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 17 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 106 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 106

Amend Senate Bill No. 106 as originally introduced:

Page 21, delete line 35 in its entirety and insert the following:

" (06) NORTHEAST DISTRICT FAIR	54,000
(07) NORTHWEST DISTRICT FAIR	54,000
(08) SOUTHWEST DISTRICT FAIR	54,000
(09) SOUTHEAST DISTRICT FAIR	54,000
(10) NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT FAIR	54,000"

And

Appropriately renumber the Item Numbers in Section 36.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 106 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, SENATE Bill No. 47 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 47 was withdrawn by the author.

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January 28, 2025

Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Ms. Cornwell:

I am submitting this letter to disclose that my wife, Maria Sullivan, is a member of the Arkansas Educational Television Commission.

Please read this letter aloud and record it in the Senate Journal.[1]

Sincerely,

Dan Sullivan
State Senator
District 20

[1] It is my understanding that by providing the Secretary of the Senate with this disclosure letter, I have fulfilled my disclosure responsibility under Senate Code of Ethics Rule 6.0(4)(a)(ii). The remaining steps or obligations under Rule Ethics Rule 6.0(4)(a)(ii) apply to the Secretary of the Senate.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 29, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 17, BY SENATOR FRED LOVE,
SENATE BILL NO. 106, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Bill No. 17 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 106 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed on the Calendar.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 29, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1005, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 29, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 14, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 29, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 58, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 139
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE AGREEMENT IS UNENFORCEABLE FOR CERTAIN LICENSED MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 139 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 140
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE THE USE OF BIOSIMILAR MEDICINES UNDER HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS; TO REQUIRE A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER TO PRESCRIBE BIOSIMILAR MEDICINES; TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO BIOSIMILAR MEDICINES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 140 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 141
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ELIMINATE FUNDING TO THE ARKANSAS CENTER FOR HEALTH IMPROVEMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 141 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Resolution No. 6 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 6
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE JANUARY 29, 2025, AS MENTAL HEALTH DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL

Senate Resolution No. 6 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 3 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 3

As Engrossed: S1/21/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION OR PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND OTHER PUBLIC ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 3 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flowers spoke against the bill.
Senator Murdock spoke against the bill.
Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator Payton spoke for the bill.
Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Scott spoke against the bill.
Senator Love spoke against the bill.
Senator Leding spoke against the bill.
Senator Sullivan closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Clark, Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Rice.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang, English.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 3 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 63 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 63

As Engrossed: S1/21/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HICKEY

BYI REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE SECRETARIES OF CABINET-LEVEL DEPARTMENTS ON THE STATE OF THEIR DEPARTMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 63 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 63. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 63 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 97 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 97
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL RETAIL LIQUOR PERMITS TO CERTAIN EXISTING HOLDERS OF RETAIL LIQUOR PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 97 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dees, Gilmore, Hammer, King, Love, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.97 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1050 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1050
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN POINSETT COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1050 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1050. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1050 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1075 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1075

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO LIMIT THE REGULATION AND TAXATION OF LAWN CARE DEVICES; TO PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM REGULATING THE SALE OR USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE OR IMPOSING A TAX OR FEE ON THE USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Bryant requested House Bill No. 1075 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1137 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1137
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WALKER
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN SEARCY COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1137 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1137. Motion caried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1137 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 98 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 98 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY, LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 98

Amend Senate Bill No. 09 as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 22, delete "consumer" and substitute "consumer who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 10 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(a) The Alcoholic Beverage Control Division may enforce the requirements of this subchapter by the same administrative proceedings that apply to all other

alcoholic beverage permittees for a violation of the alcoholic beverage control rules or laws of the state, including without limitation the authority to fine the holder of the third-party delivery permit or suspend or revoke the third-party delivery permit for violations by the holder of a third-party delivery permit or a delivery driver employed by, contracted with, or acting on behalf of the holder of a third-party delivery permit.

(b) There is a rebuttable presumption that the sale or delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a minor or an intoxicated person was not made with criminal negligence if the delivery driver at the time of the delivery had received training from a training program adopted or approved under § 3-4-1106."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 10

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 98 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hill, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 60 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 60 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY, LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 60

Amend Senate Bill No. 60 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 29 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(1) "Military facility" means the:

(A) Little Rock Air Force Base;

(B) Camp Joseph T. Robinson Maneuver Training Center;

(C) Ebbing Air National Guard Base;

(D) Fort Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center; and

(E) Pine Bluff Arsenal; and"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 7 through 20, and substitute the following:

"(b) Unless the digital asset mining business was issued a permit by the Oil and Gas Commission on or before December 31, 2024, a digital asset mining business shall:

(1) Not operate within a thirty-mile radius of a military facility; and

(2) Cease construction of a location that is within a thirty-mile radius of a military facility."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 12, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Applicability.

(a) The Oil and Gas Commission shall not issue a permit to a digital asset mining business that plans to operate at a location within a thirty-mile radius of a military facility on or after the effective date of this act.

(b) If the commission has already issued a permit to a digital asset mining business that has a location that is within a thirty-mile radius of a military facility before the effective date of this act, the commission shall revoke the permit unless the digital asset mining facility shuts down operations or construction at the location that is within a thirty-mile radius of a military facility.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that digital asset mining, also known as "cryptomining", is a rising industry in the state that poses unique opportunities as

well as risks; that risks posed by digital asset mining include without limitation threats to national security and the security of the State of Arkansas; that threats to national security and the security of the State of Arkansas are amplified by a digital asset mining facility's being located within a thirty-mile radius of a military facility; that there are military facilities located in many different areas of the State of Arkansas; and that this act is immediately necessary in order to ensure the health and safety of the State of Arkansas and its citizens. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:"

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 60 was ordered engrossed.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1046
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1046 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1074
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FUNDS USED FOR PROVIDING PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; TO AMEND THE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF TRUST FUND; TO REQUIRE A HIGHER VOTE THRESHOLD FOR USING MONEYS IN THE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF TRUST FUND FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1074 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1204
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, ET AL.
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, HESTER, J. BOYD, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, B. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, STONE, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH RECOVERY OF DAMAGES FOR NECESSARY MEDICAL CARE, TREATMENT, OR SERVICES RENDERED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1204 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1214
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR WITHIN THE LONG-TERM CARE AIDE TRAINING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1214 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

January 29, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 60, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 98, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 60 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 98 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 142
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS DEES, HESTER, J. BOYD, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, K. HAMER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, R. MURDOCK, J. PETTY, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE BELL TO BELL, NO CELL ACT; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL DISCIPLINE POLICIES WITH REGARD TO STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 142 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 3
SENATE BILL NO. 63
SENATE BILL NO. 97

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1046
HOUSE BILL NO. 1074
HOUSE BILL NO. 1204
HOUSE BILL NO. 1214

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1050
HOUS BILL NO. 1137

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until Thursday, January 30 at 11:00 a.m.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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EIGHTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Little Rock, Arkansas

January 30, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 11:00 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Hammer requested leave for Senator Crowell. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Mark Tolbert.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1056 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1056

Amend House Bill No. 1056 as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 1 delete "shall be referred" and substitute "may be referred"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1056 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 86 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 86 was withdrawn by the author.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO.1056, BY REPRESENTATIVE EVANS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1056 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 48, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 133, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 12, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended #1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 143
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING CRIME REDUCTION AND PREVENTION; TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE TO COORDINATE WITH LOCAL SHERIFFS AND THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION IN CRIME REDUCTION AND PREVENTION ACTIVITIES AND TO ASSIST IN PROBATION, PAROLE, AND POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION SERVICES; TO PROVIDE FUNDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 143 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 144
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE BACKLOG OF INMATES AWAITING TRANSFER TO THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION; TO ALLOW CERTAIN COUNTIES TO ENTER INTO COUNTY JAIL STATE INMATE CLOSE-TO-HOME PARTNERSHIPS TO JOINTLY CONSTRUCT, EXPAND, OR IMPROVE A FACILITY TO OPERATE AS A SHARED COUNTY JAIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 144 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 145
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS RESULTING FROM LITIGATION INVOLVING THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OR ITS SUCCESSOR FUND OR FUND ACCOUNTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 145 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 146
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY : REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LIABILITY OF A PROPERTY OWNER WHO MAKES LAND AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "RECREATIONAL PURPOSE" AS USED IN RELATION TO THE LIABILITY OF A PROPERTY OWNER WHO MAKES LAND AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 146 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 147
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 147 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98, AND CASINO GAMING UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 100, SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE STATE TREASURY TO BE USED BY THE DIVISION OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE FOR CRIME REDUCTION AND PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND ASSISTANCE TO THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION IN THE PROVISION OF PROBATION, PAROLE, AND POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION SERVICES.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND CASINO GAMING SHALL BE USED FOR CRIME REDUCTION AND PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND ASSISTANCE FOR POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION SERVICES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this amendment to the Arkansas Constitution is to provide that certain proceeds from the sale of medical marijuana under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 98, and casino gaming under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 100, shall be deposited into the State Treasury to be used by the Division of Arkansas State Police for crime reduction and prevention programs and assistance to the Division of Community Correction in the provision of probation, parole, and post-release supervision services.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 6 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98, CONCERNING MEDICAL MARIJUANA.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98, CONCERNING MEDICAL MARIJUANA.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 98, concerning medical marijuana.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 7 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 100, CONCERNING CASINO GAMING.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 100, CONCERNING CASINO GAMING.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 100, concerning casino gaming.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 8 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1075 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 58 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Regular Session, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 58

Amend Senate Bill No. 58 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-92-101, concerning definitions regarding pharmacists and pharmacies, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(27) "Hospital campus" means the main buildings of the hospital, including areas and structures that are not strictly contiguous to the main building, but excluding parking lots and other parcels dedicated to the public's use.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-92-403, concerning pharmacy permits and exceptions, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(i) The board shall provide for the issuance of retail pharmacy permits to nonprofit, tax exempt, or governmentally funded hospitals that are licensed by the Department of Health as a hospital under § 20-9-213 and that shall employ a licensed pharmacist-in-charge as provided by board rule.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-92-405, concerning retail pharmacy permits and applications for retail pharmacy permits, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(d)(1) A nonprofit, tax exempt, or governmentally funded hospital shall be provided a retail pharmacy permit within two hundred fifty yards (250 yds.) of the hospital campus for:

(A) One (1) retail pharmacy permit per each hospital pharmaceuticals services issued by the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy; and

(B) One (1) retail pharmacy permit per one hundred (100) beds as authorized under the hospital's license issued by the Department of Health.

(2) Subdivision (d)(1) of this section does not prohibit or limit a nonprofit, tax exempt, or governmentally funded hospital from owning or operating any number of or from receiving a retail pharmacy permit for or in conjunction with:

(A) Outpatient infusion facilities, including freestanding infusion centers, ambulatory infusion centers, ambulatory infusions suites, physician-based clinics, or home infusion therapy; or

(B) Freestanding retail pharmacies to serve as retail community pharmacies to ensure network adequacy under § 23-92-509(b)(2)(B).

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 92, Subchapter 4, is amended to add additional sections to read as follows:

17-92-414. Patient freedom of choice.

A nonprofit, tax exempt, or governmentally funded hospital that holds a retail pharmacy permit and participates in the 340B Drug Pricing Program shall ensure that a patient who is eligible under the 340B Drug Pricing Program who is seeking to obtain pharmaceutical supplies and services upon discharge from a hospital emergency department, inpatient hospital, or hospital outpatient clinic is informed that the patient has the freedom of choice to obtain pharmaceutical supplies and services from the pharmacy of his or her choice.

17-92-415 Pharmacy permit reporting.

The Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy shall report monthly to the Legislative Council:

(1) The number of pharmacy permit applications under § 17-92-405 received for each of the following types of permits:

(A) A pharmacy permit;

(B) A specialty permit;

(C) A hospital pharmaceutical services permit;

(D) An ambulatory care center pharmacy permit; and

(E) A retail pharmacy permit;

(2) The number of pharmacy permit applications under § 17-92-405 approved by the board for each of the following types of permits:

(A) A pharmacy permit;

(B) A specialty permit;

(C) A hospital pharmaceutical services permit;

(D) An ambulatory care center pharmacy permit; and

(E) A retail pharmacy permit;

(3) The total number of retail pharmacies licensed by the board; and

(4) The total number of retail pharmacy closings in the state.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 17-92-607 is repealed.

~~17-92-607. Unlawful for hospital to hold licensed pharmacy permit — Exceptions.~~

~~(a) It shall be unlawful for any nonprofit, tax exempt, or governmentally funded hospital to acquire direct or indirect interest in or otherwise hold directly or indirectly a licensed pharmacy permit pursuant to the provisions of § 17-92-405, for the sale at retail of drugs and medicines.~~

~~(b)(1) However, this section does not prohibit any hospital having a direct or indirect interest in or otherwise holding either directly or indirectly a permit before March 28, 1975, from continuing to have an interest in or holding the permit.~~

~~(2) This section does not prohibit any hospital so holding a permit before March 28, 1975, from receiving a renewal of the permit.~~

~~(3) This section does not prohibit dispensing drugs or medications through a hospital pharmacy continuity of care endorsement or to hospital employees and students.~~"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 58 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 14 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 14
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING AND HANDLING OF CLAIMS MADE FOR PROPERTY PAID OR DELIVERED TO THE ADMINISTRATOR UNDER THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT; TO ALLOW FOR THE DIRECT PAYMENT OR DELIVERY OF PROPERTY TO AN APPARENT OWNER IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 14 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 14. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Crowell.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.14 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1005 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1005
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATORS HILL, J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING TUITION WAIVERS FOR ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN TO INCLUDE PROGRAMS OF STUDY LEADING TO A POSTSECONDARY CERTIFICATE OR CREDENTIAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1005 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1005. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Crowell.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1005 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Flippo, House Bill No. 1006 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006
As Engrossed: H1/22/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REDESIGNATE THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS A DIVISION A JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS IT RELATES TO PROSECUTING *ATTORNEYS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1006 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flippo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1006. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Crowell.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1006, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Crowell.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1006 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Irvin was recognized and gave a report of the Senate Ethics Committee, which met on Wednesday, January 29, 2025.

Senator Irvin presented an amendment that was adopted by the Committee for consideration by the full Senate.

-PROPOSED ETHICS AMENDMENT-

By: Senators Irvin and Blake Johnson

Proposing to: (1) redefine financial interest to only include interests of a Senator and his or her spouse; (2) narrow the application of various conflict and conduct provisions to only Senators and their spouses; (3) clarify the scope and nature of a conflict; (4) clarify and standardize the disclosure process; and, (5) make disclosures available to Senators and the public.

2.0 *Definitions*

(c) "Financial Interest" means any relationship to a business in which a Senator or ~~a member of~~ his or her spouse ~~family~~ is an employee, consultant, attorney, officer, director or owns more than a ten percent (10%) interest.

6.0 *Prohibited Conduct and Conflicts of Interest*

(1)

(f) Perform an act that adversely affects a business when he or she or his or her ~~family~~ **spouse** has a financial interest in a competing business.

(3) **Conflicts. Except as provided in section (4)**, a Senator shall not knowingly participate in the discussion of a question in committee or on the floor of the Senate, or vote in committee or on the floor of the Senate, on any matter in which the Senator knows:

(a) He or she or ~~any member of~~ his or her **spouse** ~~family~~, or a business in which the Senator **or his or her spouse** has a financial interest will**,** ~~derive a benefit~~ as a result of legislative action**, receive compensation or derive a financial benefit that is distinguishable from the effects of the action on the public generally**. The Senator may have his or her abstention noted of record.

(b) Will specifically relate to a business which employs the Senator or in which he or she receives compensation as an attorney or consultant. The Senator may have his or her abstention noted of record.

(4) **Notwithstanding a conflict under section (3)**, a Senator may participate and vote on any matter pending before a committee or on the floor of the Senate if he or she complies with one of the following processes for disclosing the conflict:

(a) *Conflict Disclosure in the Chamber*. Prior to beginning debate or voting, the Senator publicly discloses any compensation or financial interest he or she or the Senator's **spouse** ~~family member~~ may have regarding the matter. The disclosure of a conflict shall be made verbally or in writing.

(i) *Verbal Disclosure of a Conflict*. Disclosure of a conflict can be made verbally when a Senator shares information regarding the source of the Compensation and the financial interest held. **The Senate's General Counsel shall convert the verbal disclosure into a written statement, email the same to all Senators, and keep a copy of the statement on file for the duration of the Senator's senatorial service.** ~~Such verbal conflict disclosure can be shared aloud by the Senator or read by the Secretary of the Senate and recorded in the Senate Journal.~~

(ii) *Written Disclosure of a Conflict*. Disclosure of a conflict can be made when a Senator provides the ~~Secretary of the~~ **Senate's**

General Counsel with a letter detailing the source of the Compensation and the financial interest held. **The Senate's General Counsel shall email a copy of the letter to all Senators and keep a copy of the letter on file for the duration of the Senator's senatorial service.** ~~Such written disclosure statement shall be read aloud by the Secretary of the Senate and recorded in the Senate journal.~~

(b) *Conflict Disclosure in Committee ~~During a Legislative Session~~*. Unless previously disclosed, such disclosure statement shall be read aloud by the committee staff of the appropriate committee at which the Senator will participate in debate or voting detailing the source of the Compensation and the financial interest held. **The Senate's General Counsel shall email a copy of the statement to all Senators and keep a copy of the statement on file for the duration of the Senator's senatorial service.** ~~Such written disclosure statement shall be read aloud by the Secretary of the Senate and recorded in the Senate journal.~~

~~(c) *Conflict Disclosure During the Interim*. Unless previously disclosed, such disclosure statement shall be read aloud by the interim committee staff of the appropriate interim committee at which the Senator will participate in debate or voting detailing the source of the Compensation and the financial interest held. Such written disclosure statement shall be read aloud in committee and posted to the Senate website.~~

(5) Notwithstanding Ethics Rule 9.0(1)(b)(iii), Senators and the public shall be entitled to receive conflict disclosure letters and statements made by other Senators upon submitting a written request to the Senate's General Counsel. The General Counsel shall notify the Senator who is the subject of any such request that a request has been made. Such notice shall also include the identity of the requestor and what (if any) conflict letters or statements are in the Senator's file and subject to disclosure.

Following questions, Senator Irvin was recognized to close and moved for adoption of the amendment.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The amendment to the Senate Code of Ethics for the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly was adopted.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 59 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 59 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 59

Amend Senate Bill No. 59 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 13, delete "MEAL; AND" and substitute "MEAL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO PROVIDE EACH STUDENT WITH ONE BREAKFAST AT NO COST EACH SCHOOL DAY UPON REQUEST WITHOUT CONSIDERATION OF THE STUDENT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR A FEDERALLY FUNDED FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE MEAL; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 1, line 28, delete "A public" and substitute "Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year and each school year thereafter, a public"
AND

Page 2, delete line 10, and substitute the following:
"student.

(C) The cost of providing one (1) breakfast shall not exceed the rate of reimbursement to public schools established by the National School Lunch Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1751 et seq., and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42 U.S.C. § 1771 et seq., for a free school breakfast.

(g) The department may promulgate rules to implement this section."

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-5-202(b)(2)(B)(v), concerning distributions from the net general revenue in the General Revenue Fund Account, is amended to read as follows:

(v)(a) Next, the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration shall certify the amount distributed to the General Revenue Fund Account from the sales tax and the special privilege tax on medical marijuana under § 17(c) of the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016, Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 98, for the month.

(b) The Treasurer of State shall then deduct an amount equal to the amount certified under subdivision (b)(2)(B)(v)(a) of this section from the General Revenue Fund Account and transfer the amount to the ~~Restricted Reserve Fund to be used to address food insecurity and health needs~~ Food Insecurity Fund; and

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 19, Chapter 5, Subchapter 12, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

19-5-1287. Food Insecurity Fund.

(a) There is created on the books of the Treasurer of State, the Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a miscellaneous fund to be known as the “Food Insecurity Fund”.

(b) The Food Insecurity Fund shall consist of:

(1) General Revenues authorized by law;

(2) Funds transferred from the General Revenue Fund Account as set out in § 19-5-202;

(3) Moneys obtained from private grants or other sources that are designated to be credited to the Food Insecurity Fund; and

(4) Any other funds authorized or provided by law.

(c)(1) By July 31 each fiscal year:

(A) The Department of Education shall submit a certification to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State of the amount expensed by the Department of Education the prior fiscal year to comply with § 6-18-722(b) to eliminate a charge to students for a reduced-price copayment for a school breakfast or a school lunch, which shall be reviewed by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State; and

(B) The Department of Human Services shall submit a certification to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State of the estimated amount required to fund the state matching funds requirement for the federal Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer Program for Children, commonly known as "Summer EBT", for the current fiscal year, which shall be reviewed by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

(2) After reviewing the certifications submitted under subdivision (c)(1) of this section, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may deny, modify, or approve the certifications based on the:

(A) Estimated amount of funding needed and available;

(B) Purpose; and

(C) Preferred spending priority.

(3) Based on the certifications from the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services in subdivision (c)(1) of this section, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall instruct the Treasurer of State to transfer those amounts on a pro rata basis to the fund or fund accounts designated by the Secretary of the Department of Education and the Secretary of the Department of Human Services.

(d) Any unexpended balance of moneys in the fund accounts designated by the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services to be allocated for the purposes under subsection (c) of this section that are remaining at the end of each fiscal year shall be designated and retained for the purposes under subsection (c) of this section for the following fiscal year, and certifications required under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall be adjusted to reflect the remaining balances.

(e) After making the transfers under subdivision (c)(3) of this section, the Treasurer of State shall then transfer the remainder of the balance of the Food Insecurity Fund to the fund account designated by the Department of Education to be used by the Department of Education to comply with § 6-18-722(f).

(f) Any unexpended balance of moneys in the fund account designated by the Department of Education allocated for the purposes under subdivision (e) of this section that are remaining at the end of each fiscal year shall be designated and retained for the purposes outlined under subdivision (e) of this section for the

following fiscal year.

SECTION 4. DO NOT CODIFY. Funding transfer.

On June 30, 2025, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the Treasurer of State and the Auditor of the State the fund balance remaining in the Food Insecurity and Health Needs Set-Aside of the Restricted Reserve Fund to the Food Insecurity Fund.

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that for planning purposes, public school districts need to know what the legal expectations are with respect to student meals; that before the upcoming school year and fiscal year, it is necessary to capture the correct funding in order to fund this act; and that this act is immediately necessary to give the Department of Finance and Administration, the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the Department of Human Services ample time to implement this act and create the funds required by this act. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 59 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO.58, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 59, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 59 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 98, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 102, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1056, BY REPRESENTATIVE EVANS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 148
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 148 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 149
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 149 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 150
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM; TO AMEND THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 150 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was returned from the House as concurred in and ordered enrolled.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1085

As Engrossed: H1/29/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN ACT; TO ADOPT CHANGES IN FEDERAL LAW CONCERNING TAX-DEFERRED TUITION SAVINGS PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCOME TAX LIABILITY FOR DISTRIBUTIONS FROM AN ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN OR OTHER TAX-DEFERRED TUITION SAVINGS PROGRAM TO A ROTH INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT; TO ADOPT FEDERAL LAW CONCERNING THE INCOME TAX TREATMENT OF ROLLOVER CONTRIBUTIONS FROM AN ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN OR OTHER TAX-DEFERRED TUITION SAVINGS PROGRAM TO A ROTH INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1085 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1135
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ISSUANCE OF A DIGITIZED IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF A DIGITIZED DRIVER'S LICENSE OR DIGITIZED IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1135 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1183
As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/29/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE *REGISTERED* DIALYSIS PATIENT CARE TECHNICIAN ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1183 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEELE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING NATURAL RESOURCES; TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1220 held in Chamber.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1238
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATUTORY FORECLOSURES; TO AUTHORIZE A MORTGAGOR TO RECOVER FEES IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1238 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1271
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MECHANICS' AND MATERIALMEN'S LIENS; TO CLARIFY THE PRIORITY OF LIENS IN MORTGAGE CONSTRUCTION LOANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1271 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1273
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUPERIORITY OF A LIEN CREATED BY THE ENTRY OF CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS BY THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO PROVIDE THAT A LIEN CREATED BY THE ENTRY OF CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS BY THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION IS NOT SUPERIOR TO A PURCHASE MONEY MORTGAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1273 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 151

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES ANDREWS, RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO THE AMEND LAW CONCERNING RETIREMENT BENEFITS; TO PROHIBIT COLLECTION OF BENEFITS BY MEMBERS, RETIRANTS, OR BENEFICIARIES OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF CERTAIN OFFENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 151 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 152

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CREDITED SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 152 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 153
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 24 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 153 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 154
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF MEMBERS UNDER THE VARIOUS STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS AND ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 154 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 155

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 155 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 156

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CREDITED SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 156 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 157
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 157 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 158
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 158 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 159
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 159 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 160
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 160 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 161

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BENEFITS UNDER LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 161 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 162

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CREDITED SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 162 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 163

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 163 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

SENATE BILL NO. 164

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION, 2025

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DUKE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PUBLIC SCHOOL TO EMPLOY OR ACCEPT AS A VOLUNTEER A CHAPLAIN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 164 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 165
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 165 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 166
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EMERGENCY PROCUREMENTS; TO INCLUDE A STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY IN THE DEFINITION OF "CRITICAL EMERGENCY" FOR PURPOSES OF AN EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 166 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

January 30, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President Pro Tempore:

This is to inform you that on January 30, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measure from the Regular Session, 2025, of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly:

Senate Bill No. 53 - ACT13

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION, 2025

January 30, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1,
BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 1:47 p.m. delivered it to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPT

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1,

RECEIVED the above paper from the Secretary of the Senate this Thursday, January 30, 2025 at 2:24 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 14

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS CONCURRED IN

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1085
HOUSE BILL NO. 1183
HOUSE BILL NO. 1220
HOUSE BILL NO. 1238
HOUSE BILL NO. 1271
HOUSE BILL NO. 1273

HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED AND EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1135

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1005

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 3, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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TWENTY SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 3, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Crowell requested leave for Senator Irvin. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Crowell.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 77 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 77

Amend
as originally introduced:

Add Representative J. Mayberry

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 77 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 77, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator M. Johnson Senate Bill No. 77 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 142, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 164, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025, AS THE LINKS LEGISLATIVE DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL, AND TO RECOGNIZE THE LINKS, INCORPORATED FOR ITS SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITS CHAPTER COMMUNITIES AND TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 8 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2025.

Senate Resolution No. 9 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 20, PERMITTING THE STATE OF ARKANSAS TO BE SUED AS A DEFENDANT IN STATE COURT TO ENFORCE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OR AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 9 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 167
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATES BY WHICH APPLICATIONS FOR A TRANSFER UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015 SHALL BE SUBMITTED; TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH A FOSTER CHILD SHALL SUBMIT A REQUEST TO TRANSFER SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 167 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 168
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR RICE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE EXAMINATION FOR LICENSURE OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 168 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 169
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 169 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIR.

SENATE BILL NO. 170
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 1 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING GENERAL PROVISIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 170 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 171
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 4 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 171 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 172

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 172 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 173

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 7 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ELECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 173 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 174
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 8 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 174 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 175
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 11 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 175 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 176
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 15 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 176 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 177
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 17 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PROFESSIONS, OCCUPATIONS, AND BUSINESSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 177 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 178
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTHCARE DECISIONS ACT; TO CLARIFY THE ABILITY OF A SURROGATE TO OBTAIN RECORDS ON A PRINCIPAL'S INCOME, ASSETS, AND BANKING AND FINANCIAL RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 178 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 179
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STRENGTHEN ARKANSAS HOMES ACT; TO CREATE THE STRENGTHEN ARKANSAS HOMES PROGRAM PREMIUM TAX FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 179 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 180

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT PROVIDERS IN THE PROGRAM OF ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY FROM THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 180 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

Senator Hickey was recognized. He retracted the request for leave for Senator Irvin.

Updated Attendance

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

On motion of Senator Love, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Resolution 8 at this time.

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Resolution No. 8 was brought up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8
NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025, AS THE LINKS LEGISLATIVE DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL, AND TO RECOGNIZE THE LINKS, INCORPORATED FOR ITS SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITS CHAPTER COMMUNITIES AND TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 8 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 12 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 12

Amend Senate Bill No. 12 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 10 through 12 and substitute the following:
"1967; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING REDISTRICTING BY THE BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT; TO ESTABLISH A PENALTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING REDISTRICTING BY THE BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 26 through 36 and substitute the following:

"25-19-113. Board of Apportionment communications - Definition.

(a) As used in this section, "communication regarding redistricting" means a written communication, electronic communication, or oral communication concerning the apportionment of the state for representatives or otherwise pertaining to the drawing of legislative districts.

(b) A communication regarding redistricting by one (1) or more members of the Board of Apportionment or staff of the board:

(1) Shall be:

(A) Written;

(B) Electronic; or

(C) An oral communication recorded at a public meeting under § 25-19-106(d)(1); and

(2) Is a public record subject to this chapter.

(c) The board shall disclose to the public all communications made or received under subsection (b) of this section within three (3) business days of the communication.

(d) If one (1) or more members of the board or staff of the board receive an oral communication regarding redistricting other than one recorded at a public meeting under § 25-19-106(d)(1), the member of the board or his or her staff shall:

(1) Inform the speaker that all communications by one (1) or more members of the board or staff of the board must be:

(A) Written;

(B) Electronic; or

(C) An oral communication recorded at a public meeting under § 25-19-106(d)(1); and

(2) Take all reasonable steps to remove himself or herself from the oral communication that is not recorded at a public meeting under § 25-19-106(d)(1).

(e) This section does not prohibit discussion regarding the apportionment of the state for representatives at a public meeting of the board.

(f) This section shall not be construed to exempt a public record of the board

from disclosure under this chapter if the public record would otherwise be deemed to be made open under this chapter.

(g) A person who knowingly violates subdivision (b)(1) of this section upon conviction is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 12 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 48 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 48

As Engrossed: S1/28/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF DEDUCTIBLES UNDER CERTAIN INSURANCE POLICIES; TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO DISCLOSE DEDUCTIBLES FOR CERTAIN INSURANCE POLICIES ON THE POLICY DECLARATION PAGE OR NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF THE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 48 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 48. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.48 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 58 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 58

As Engrossed: S1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE PROHIBITION ON NONPROFIT, TAX EXEMPT, OR GOVERNMENTALLY-FUNDED HOSPITALS HOLDING A LICENSED PHARMACY PERMIT FOR THE SALE AT RETAIL OF DRUGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 58 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd spoke for the bill.

Senator Dismang closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.58 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 98 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 98
As Engrossed: S1/29/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AUTHORIZE THE THIRD-PARTY DELIVERY OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM CERTAIN RETAILERS; TO CREATE A THIRD-PARTY DELIVERY PERMIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 98 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 15

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dees, Flowers, Gilmore, Hickey, Hill, Love, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dotson, Hammer, Johnson, B., King, Murdock, Petty, Tucker.

Total 8

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 27

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

Senate Bill No. 98 failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Davis moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 98 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 98 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on February 3, 2025.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 102 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 102
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CANVASSERS FOR LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPENSATION OF PAID CANVASSERS FOR LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 102 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Love, Murdock, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dees.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 102 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 133 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 133
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, J. DOTSON, M. MCKEE, C, PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR., L. JOHNSON, LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO DEFINE "CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY" UNDER THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; TO MODIFY THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE DEFINITIONS OF "MONEY" AND "DEPOSIT ACCOUNT"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 133 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Irvin, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 133 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Resolution No. 7 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS AS RECIPIENT IN 2024 OF A VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR AWARD AND THE MOST INNOVATIVE CITY AWARD BY ENGAGE ARKANSAS, THE FLOODPLAIN COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR AWARD BY THE ARKANSAS FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC., AND A TRENDSETTER CITY AWARD BY ARKANSAS BUSINESS.

Senate Resolution No. 7 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1056 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1056

As Engrossed: S1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1056 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Hickey.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1056, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Hickey.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1056 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed as amended.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 12, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 12 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 181
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM LAW; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 181 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 56 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 61 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 68 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 70 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 76 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 18 was returned from the House as passed as amended No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 78, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1046, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1135, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1048
As Engrossed: H1/30/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES C. COOPER, LONG, BENTLEY, *A. BROWN, LUNDSTRUM, B. MCKENZIE, PURYEAR*
BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, *J. DOTSON*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE INCIDENTAL SALE OF GOAT MILK, SHEEP MILK, AND WHOLE MILK THAT HAS NOT BEEN PASTEURIZED; TO CLARIFY THAT THE INCIDENTAL SALE OF RAW MILK IS NOT LIMITED TO A SALE ON THE FARM; AND OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1048 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1138

As Engrossed: H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TORRES, GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TO CERTIFY TO THE OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY FOR A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE, CERTIFICATE, OR PARKING DECAL FOR A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1138 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1149

As Engrossed: H1/28/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING VEGETABLE GARDEN PROTECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1149 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1205

As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INDEPENDENT INSPECTIONS OF A MODULAR BUILDING FOR CODE COMPLIANCE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1205 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 56, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 61, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 68, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 70, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, JR.,
SENATE BILL NO. 76, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:36 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 56
SENATE BILL NO. 61
SENATE BILL NO. 68
SENATE BILL NO. 70
SENATE BILL NO. 76

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this third day of February, 2025 at 3:55 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) SELBY MCCOLLETT, SECRETARY

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO HONOR, ON FEBRUARY 5, 2025, THE SESQUICENTENNIAL OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CITY OF OSCEOLA.

Senate Resolution No. 10 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 182
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, S. FLOWERS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BARNES, K. FERGUSON, HOLCOMB, WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO REQUIRE A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE UNDER THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR UNTIL A NEW APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 182 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 183
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDIZED ASSESSMENTS FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION PURPOSES; TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL TO OFFER STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE THE CLASSIC LEARNING TEST; TO REQUIRE EACH STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ACCEPT AN APPLICANT'S SCORE ON THE CLASSIC LEARNING TEST FOR PURPOSES OF ADMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 183 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 184
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LONG, S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER CERTAIN POWERS AND DUTIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; TO ABOLISH THE ARKANSAS EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION; TO ABOLISH THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD; TO TRANSFER THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION AND THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 184 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 185
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 185 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 186
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED BY A LICENSEE OF THE CONTRACTORS LICENSING BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 186 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 48
SENATE BILL NO. 58
SENATE BILL NO. 102
SENATE BILL NO. 133

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 56
SENATE BILL NO. 61
SENATE BILL NO. 68
SENATE BILL NO. 70
SENATE BILL NO. 76

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 18

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1048

HOUSE BILL NO. 1138

HOUSE BILL NO. 1149

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE

AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1205

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1056

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., February 4, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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TWENTY-THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 4, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Irvin asked for leave for Senator Sullivan. Leave was granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Scott.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 135

Amend Senate Bill No. 135 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 10 through 18, and substitute the following:

"(b) A public school district board of directors shall:

(1) Appoint by resolution a designee or member of the county board of election commissioners to cast a ballot for the public school district's unchanged rate of taxation; and

(2) Forward a file-marked copy of the resolution under subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)(b)(1) of this section to the county clerk and the county election commission of the county in which the public school district is situated simultaneously when it submits the rate of tax as required by § 6-14-111(i).

(c)(1) Upon receipt of a resolution under subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)(b) of this section, a county board of election commissioners shall notify the public school district board of directors of the place, date, and time where the designee or member of the county board of election commissioners appointed by the public school district board of directors under subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)(b)(1) of this section shall cast the ballot for the public school district's unchanged rate of taxation.

(2) If the designee or member of the county board of election commissioners appointed by a public school district board of directors under subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)(b)(1) of this section is not present at the place, on the date, or at the time designated by a county board of election commissioners under subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)(c)(1) of this section, then a member of the county board of election commissioners shall cast the ballot for the public school district's unchanged rate of taxation and notify the superintendent and board of directors of the public school district for which the ballot was cast.

(b) For elections held under subdivision (a)(3) of this section:

(1) In odd-numbered years, the county board of election commissioners of the county in which the public school district is situated shall not open any polling places on election date; and

(2) In conjunction with the preferential"

AND

Page 2, line 23, delete "subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)" and substitute "(a)(3)(A)(ii)(b)(1)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 135 was ordered engrossed.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 3, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam President:

This is to inform you that on February 3, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measure from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 135, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 146, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

SENATE DISCLOSURE REPORT

Pursuant to Senate Rule No. 24.06, we, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, hereby report receipt of the attached disclosure from Senator Penzo on February 4, 2025, regarding Senate Bill No. 77.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN
FEBRUARY 4, 2025

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 77, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 150, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1271, BY SENATOR PENZO, REP. WARREN
HOUSE BILL NO. 1273, BY SENATOR PENZO, REP. WARREN

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 80, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 105, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 107, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 108, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 109, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 112, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 113, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 114, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 115, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 125, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 126, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 129, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 187
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMPOSITION OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID DRUG UTILIZATION REVIEW BOARD TO INCLUDE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 187 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEELE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING NATURAL RESOURCES; TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1220 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Senator Hester was recognized to suspend the rules and moved that for the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly, the Senate Parliamentarian will assign bills that come out of the JOINT ENERGY COMMITTEE to the appropriate Senate Standing Committee. Any Senate bill filed involving energy will be assigned to a Senate Standing Committee.

By voice vote, the motion carried.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Resolution No. 9 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

A SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2025.

Senate Resolution No. 9 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 18 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 18

Amend Senate Bill No. 18 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Gazaway as a sponsor of the bill.

(SIGNED) JIMMY GAZAWAY, SECRETARY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 18, adopted by the House was read,1st, rules suspended, read 2nd and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Wallace, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 18 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 18

As Engrossed: H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR OF IMPROPER OR ILLEGAL PRACTICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 18 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 18. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 18 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 183 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 183

Amend Senate Bill No. 183 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Brooks

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 183 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 59 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 59 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 59

Amend Senate Bill No. 59 as engrossed S1/30/25:

Add Senators J. Boyd, Crowell, B. Davis, Dees, J. Dotson, J. English, S. Flowers, Gilmore, K. Hammer, Hester, Irvin, B. Johnson, M. Johnson, G. Leding, F. Love, R. Murdock, J. Payton, J. Petty, Rice, J. Scott, Stone, G. Stubblefield, D. Wallace

AND

Delete Representative McCullough

AND

Add Representatives Vaught, McCullough, Achor, F. Allen, Andrews, Barker, Barnes, Barnett, Beaty Jr., Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, R. Burkes, Cavenaugh, Childress, Clowney, A. Collins, Cozart, Crawford, Eaton, Eaves, Ennett, Evans, K. Ferguson, Furman, D. Garner, Gazaway, Gonzales Worthen, Hall, Henley, Holcomb, Hollowell, Hudson, Jean, Maddox, Magie, McClure, M. McElroy, McGruder, McNair, Milligan, K. Moore, Painter, Perry, Pilkington, Puryear, J. Richardson, R. Scott Richardson, Rye, Schulz, T. Shephard, Springer, Steele, Tosh, Walker, Warren, D. Whitaker, Wooten

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 59 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 78 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 78
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION; TO REQUIRE THAT THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SAFE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN QUESTIONS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 78 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 78. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.78 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 142 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 142
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS DEES, HESTER, J. BOYD, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, IRVIN. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, R. MURDOCK, J. PETTY, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, EVANS, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, CRAWFORD, DUKE, GRAMLICH, HALL, LUNDSTRUM, MCALINDON, B. MCKENZIE, PURYEAR, R. SCOTT, RICHARDSON, TORRES, UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE BELL TO BELL, NO CELL ACT; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL DISCIPLINE POLICIES WITH REGARD TO STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 142 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey spoke against the bill.
Senator Dismang spoke for the bill.
Senator Clark spoke for the bill.
Senator Irvin spoke on the bill.
Senator Stubblefield spoke for the bill.
Senator Dees closed.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Hickey.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Hill, Leding, C. Penzo, Tucker.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.142 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

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On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 164 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 164

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DUKE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PUBLIC SCHOOL TO EMPLOY OR ACCEPT AS A VOLUNTEER A CHAPLAIN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 164 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang spoke against the bill.

Senator Payton spoke on the bill.

Senator M. Johnson spoke for the bill.

Senator Leding spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke on the bill.

Senator Dotson closed.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Hester, Hickey, Johnson, M., King, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Wallace.

Total 13

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Irvin, Leding, Scott, Stone, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Johnson, B., Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Hammer, Hill, Love, Payton, Petty.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Dotson moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 164 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 164 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on February 4, 2025.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1046 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1046
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1046 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator David moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1046. Motion Carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Rice.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1046 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1135 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1135
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ISSUANCE OF A DIGITIZED IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF A DIGITIZED DRIVER'S LICENSE OR DIGITIZED IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1135 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1135. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1135, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1135 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 182, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIR
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON
SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT
SENATOR JANE ENGLISH
SENATOR BART HESTER
SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS
SENATOR TERRY RICE
SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 59, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, ET AL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 59 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 183, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 188 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 188
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE PUBLIC POSTING OF STATEWIDE INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 188 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 189
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IVERMECTIN FOR HUMAN USE TO BE SOLD WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION OR CONSULTATION WITH A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 189 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1007
As Engrossed: H2/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PURYEAR, *LUNDSTRUM, C. COOPER*
BY: SENATOR RICE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE LIABILITY FOR SHOOTING SPORTS EVENTS; TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WITH RESPECT TO SHOOTING SPORTS EVENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1007 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1067

As Engrossed: H1/23/25 H2/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, VAUGHT

BY: SENATORS HILL, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING FIREARM HOLD AGREEMENTS; TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY TO A FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE WHO AGREES TO HOLD A FIREARM FOR AN INDIVIDUAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1067 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

February 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 18, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 2:39 p.m. delivered it to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO.18

RECEIVED the above paper from the Secretary of the Senate this fourth day of February, 2025 at 2:40 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) RACHEL SMITH, SECRETARY

SENATE BILL NO. 190
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 190 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 191
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 191 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 192

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 192 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 193

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES - BUILDING AUTHORITY DIVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 193 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 194

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 194 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 195

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 195 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 196

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 196 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 197

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 197 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 198
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 198 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 199
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 199 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 78
SENATE BILL NO. 142

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1007
HOUSE BILL NO. 1067

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1046

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/ EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1135

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 5, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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TWENTY-FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 5, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Caldwell requested leave for Senators Hill and Caldwell. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor David Featherstone.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 12 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 12

Amend Senate Bill No. 12 as engrossed:

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 6

AND

Page 2, line 7, delete "(d)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 2, line 20, delete "(e)" and substitute "(d)"

AND

Page 2, line 23, delete "(f)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 2, line 26, delete "(g)" and substitute "(f)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 12 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 89 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 89

Amend Senate Bill No. 89 as engrossed:

Add Representative Brooks

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "regular and special" and substitute "regular, emergency, and special"

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "regular or special" and substitute "regular, emergency, or special"

AND

Page 2, line 19, delete "and special"

AND

Page 2, line 21, delete "or special"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 22 and 23, and substitute the following:
"board of directors;

(xii) Agendas of special or emergency meetings of the school district board of directors that shall be posted no later than two (2) hours before each special or emergency meeting of the school district board of directors; and

(xiii) The names and email addresses of all members"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 89 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 90

Amend Senate Bill No. 90 as engrossed:

Add Representative Brooks

AND

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 32, and substitute the following:

"(f)(1) Prior to the consideration of a business or an executive session at a meeting of a board of directors, any member of the public shall be afforded the opportunity to give public comment on any matter that is within the powers and duties of the board of directors as provided under § 6-13-620.

(2)(A) A board of directors shall not require prior approval for a member of the public to give public comment under subdivision (f)(1) of this section.

(B) However, a board of directors may utilize a sign-up sheet for members of the public providing public comment so long as the sign-up sheet is accessible to the public until the start of the meeting of the board of directors."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 140 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 140

Amend Senate Bill No. 140 as engrossed:

Page 4, delete lines 7 through 17, and substitute the following:
"23-79-2902. Formulary."

AND

Page 5, delete line 5, and substitute the following:
"23-79-2903. Generic drugs."

AND

Page 5, delete line 26, and substitute the following:
"23-79-2904. Biosimilar medicines."

AND

Page 6, delete line 12, and substitute the following:
"23-79-2905. Purpose and construction of subchapter."

AND

Page 6, delete line 25, and substitute the following:
"23-79-2906. Rules."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 140 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 147 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 147

Amend Senate Bill No. 147 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Gazaway as a cosponsor of the bill;

AND

Page 1, line 12, delete "SHARED SERVICES;" and substitute the following: "SHARED SERVICES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;"

AND

Page 1, delete line 20, and substitute the following: "SERVICES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 24 - 26 and substitute with the following:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-21-112(e), concerning technology liaisons to the Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation, is amended to read as follows:

(e)(1) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall assign one (1) individual to serve as a technology liaison to the Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation.

(2) The secretary shall assign one (1) individual from the staff of the Building Authority Division to serve as a physical plant liaison to the Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-63-602 is amended to read as follows:

6-63-602. Administration.

(a)(1) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall have administrative responsibility for developing, implementing, and

maintaining a catastrophic leave bank program for nonfaculty benefits-eligible, full-time employees of the state institutions of higher education.

(2) Each state institution of higher education may participate in the catastrophic leave bank authorized by this section and administered by the Office of Personnel Management, or the institution may establish a catastrophic leave bank for its employees.

(b) Accrued annual leave and sick leave of employees may be donated to a catastrophic leave bank.

(c) Catastrophic leave with pay may be granted to an employee when such employee is unable to perform his or her duties due to a catastrophic illness.

(d) An employee may be eligible for catastrophic leave when:

(1) The employee has been employed by the state institution of higher education for more than two (2) years;

(2) An acceptable medical certificate from a physician supporting the continued absence is on file; and

(3) The employee has not been disciplined for any leave abuse during the past two (2) years.

(e) If the illness or injury is that of an employee and is covered by workers' compensation, the compensation based on catastrophic leave when combined with the weekly workers' compensation benefit received by the employee shall not exceed the compensation being received by the employee at the onset of the illness or injury.

(f) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services or his or her designee shall promulgate necessary rules as deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

(g) Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to repeal in any way the exclusion of nonclassified employees of state-supported institutions of higher education under the Uniform Attendance and Leave Policy Act, § 21-4-201 et seq.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 15-21-205 is amended to read as follows:

15-21-205. State Surveyor.

(a) The Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board shall employ, in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, a State Surveyor to be the head of the Division of Land Surveys of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office.

(b) The State Surveyor shall:

(1) Be a person of proven administrative ability, a registered professional surveyor, and a resident of the State of Arkansas with training and experience properly qualifying the person for the performance of his or her official duties;

(2) Be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services after consultation with the State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional

Surveyors and the Arkansas Society of Professional Surveyors;

(3) Devote his or her full time to the performance of his or her official functions and duties as prescribed in this subchapter;

(4) Hold no other lucrative position while serving as State Surveyor; and

(5) Receive such compensation as may be prescribed by law.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code §15-21-206(1), concerning the state surveyor, is amended to read as follows:

The State Surveyor, acting under the supervision and direction of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, shall have the following authority and responsibility:

(1) To:

(A) Restore, maintain, and preserve the land survey monuments, section corners, and quarter section corners established by the United States Public Land Survey within the State of Arkansas, together with all pertinent field notes, plats, and documents; and

(B) Restore, establish, maintain, and preserve other boundary markers as may be determined to be necessary or important in establishing and maintaining accurate land descriptions in this state;

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 15-21-207 is amended to read as follows:

15-21-207. Surveyors generally.

(a) Every employee of the Division of Land Surveys of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office or the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services~~,~~ who performs any work required by law to be done by a registered professional surveyor shall be a registered surveyor.

(b) Neither the State Surveyor nor any employee of the department performing work on behalf of the division shall engage in private land surveying or consultation while so employed by the department.

(c) The State Surveyor and employees of the department performing work on behalf of the division shall cooperate with and assist county surveyors in performing their duties as prescribed by law and shall cooperate with and assist other surveyors in locating or establishing section corner markers and other land description markers and monuments.

(d) In performing the duties and responsibilities provided for in this subchapter, the State Surveyor and employees of the Division of Land Surveys of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office and the department may solicit the advice and assistance of the county surveyor in each county and other surveyors in the county.

(e) If there are no registered professional surveyors in a particular county, the department on behalf of the division may employ qualified registered professional surveyors from other areas of the state to assist the division in carrying out its duties

and responsibilities under this subchapter.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 15-21-208 is amended to read as follows:

15-21-208. Right to enter private property.

(a) The State Surveyor or any employee of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services or of the Division of Land Surveys of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office shall have the right to enter upon private property for the purpose of making surveys or searching for, locating, relocating, or remonumenting land monuments, levelling stations, or section corners.

(b) Employees of the department or division shall be immune from arrest for trespass in performing their duties as prescribed in this subchapter and under the direction of a registered professional land surveyor but shall always, when practical, announce and identify themselves and their intentions before entering upon private property.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 15-21-503(c), concerning the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1)(A) A chair and a vice chair shall be elected by the board membership to oversee all board and committee meetings.

(B) Members of the board must elect a chair and vice chair every year.

(2)(A) The board shall appoint the State Geographic Information Officer to serve with the approval and at the pleasure of the Governor.

(B) The State Geographic Information Officer will:

(i) Assist the board in developing a comprehensive plan and evaluation procedures on how the state should implement tactical and strategic geographic information systems and land information systems planning;

(ii) Implement informational and educational programs; and

(iii) Coordinate intrastate geographic information systems and land information systems efforts.

(C) The State Geographic Information Officer shall report to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 16-93-214(b), concerning the Safe Arkansas App, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) To the extent permitted by federal law, the ~~Parole~~ Post-Prison Transfer Board shall administer a mobile application that shall provide the information set out in subsection (c) of this section concerning:

(A) An inmate who is being considered for parole; or

(B) A parolee who is on parole.

(2) The mobile application required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be known as the “Safe Arkansas App”.

(3) To facilitate the administration of the mobile application required

under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the board may seek the assistance of the Division of Information Systems of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services or enter into a contract for technical database and data processing services.

SECTION 9. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1405(e), concerning bidding procedures, is amended to read as follows:

(e)(1)(A) When it is obvious from examination of the bid document that it was the intent of a bidder to submit a responsive bid and because of a scrivener's error, the bid, if accepted, would create a serious financial loss to the bidder, the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may relieve the bidder from responsibility under his or her bond and may reject the bid.

(B) However, for projects undertaken by public institutions of higher education exempt from review and approval of the division, the chief executive officer of the public institution of higher education or his or her designee may relieve the bidder from responsibility under his or her bond and may reject his or her bid in the same manner and within the same period as allowed by the division.

(2) As used in this section, “scrivener's error” means:

(A) An error in the calculation of a bid which can be documented by clear and convincing written evidence and which can be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of the original work papers, documents, or materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn; and

(B) In the case of a bid sought to be withdrawn, the bid was submitted in good faith and the mistake was due to a calculation or clerical error, an inadvertent omission, or a typographical error as opposed to an error in judgment.

(3)(A) To receive relief under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, the bidder must serve written notice to the secretary or to the chief executive officer or his or her designee of a public institution of higher education exempt from review and approval of the division any time after the bid opening, but no later than seventy-two (72) hours after receiving the intent to award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

(B) Failure to make a withdrawal request within seventy-two (72) hours shall constitute a waiver by the bidder of the bidder's right to claim that the mistake in his or her bid was a scrivener's error.

(4) In the event the secretary or the chief executive officer or his or her designee of a public institution of higher education exempt from review and approval of the division has relieved the bidder from responsibility under his or her bond, action on the remaining bids should be considered as though the withdrawn bid had not been received.

SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1413(a)(2), concerning projects constructed with private funds, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) Before the public institution of higher education shall enter into

a contract with an architect, engineer, construction manager, or contractor for the design, construction, or financing of any project financed from private funds as provided in this section, it shall submit to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Legislative Council, in writing, a summary statement setting forth a general description of the proposed project, its estimated overall cost, and the method proposed to finance the cost, including a description of the sources and amount of private funds.

(B) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may forward a copy of this statement to the Building Authority Division, the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, and the Governor for information; and

SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1602(c), concerning payroll deductions, is amended to read as follows:

(c) Deductions authorized by this section shall be made in compliance with rules and procedures established by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1603(a), concerning procedures for position control, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall establish procedures for exercising position control applicable to those state agencies subject to the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, § 21-5-201 et seq.

SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1604(a), concerning salary from two agencies, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, no person drawing a salary or other compensation from one state agency shall be paid salary or compensation, other than actual expenses, from any other state agency except upon written certification to and approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services and by the head of each state agency, stating that:

(1) The work performed for the other state agency does not interfere with the proper and required performance of the person's duties; and

(2) The combined salary payments from the state agencies do not exceed the larger maximum annual salary of the line-item position authorized for either state agency from which the employee is being paid.

SECTION 14. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1606(a), concerning the review of payroll, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall review the payroll of state agencies covered by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, § 21-5-201 et seq., with respect to the salaries

of all employees of affected state agencies. This review shall determine the correctness of each payroll with respect to each position to assure compliance with the compensation plan and to assure that no position is being paid, during any payroll period, an amount greater than authorized in the compensation plan or the amount authorized for the position in the appropriation act applicable to the agency.

SECTION 15. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1607(a), concerning the salaries of employees, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Except for those state agencies which operate principally on a scholastic year, or on a part-time basis, or where such salaries or personal services are specifically established for a period less than one (1) year, all salaries established by the General Assembly shall be considered to be a maximum amount to be paid for a twelve-month payroll period. No greater amount than that established for the maximum annual salary of any state official or employee shall be paid to such employee during any such twelve-month payroll period, nor shall more than one-twelfth (1/12) of such annual salary be paid to any such employee during any calendar month unless authorized in this subchapter.

(2) The limitations set out in this section may be converted to biweekly or weekly increments of one-twenty-sixth (1/26) or one-fifty-second (1/52) of the maximum annual salary.

(3) For complying with federal requirements, upon approval of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services in consultation with the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the maximum annual salaries may be converted to hourly rates of pay for positions established on the basis of twelve (12) months or less if authorized by law.

SECTION 16. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1610(c), concerning retroactive pay, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) Salary payments made to correct an administrative error shall not be considered retroactive pay, nor shall such payment be construed as exceeding the employee's maximum authorized pay.

(2) Payments under subdivision (c)(1) of this section may be made for a preceding fiscal year if:

(A) Requested within twelve (12) months of the end of the preceding fiscal year; and

(B) Upon the consent of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services in consultation with the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

SECTION 17. Arkansas Code § 19-4-1612(b), concerning overtime pay, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) All state departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and institutions may pay overtime to their employees, under the rules and regulations set out by the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

(2)(A) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services will specify those specific employees or groups of employees other than employees of the Arkansas Department of Transportation eligible to receive overtime compensation, the circumstances under which overtime pay is to be allowed, and other matters the secretary finds appropriate and necessary to comply with the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 as regards the payment of overtime compensation.

(B) The Director of State Highways and Transportation shall make these determinations as to employees of the Arkansas Department of Transportation.

SECTION 18. Arkansas Code § 19-11-215 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-215. Office of State Procurement.

(a) There is created within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services the Office of State Procurement to be administered by the State Procurement Director.

(b)(1) The Office of State Procurement shall be subject to the supervision and management of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(2) The rules authorized in this subchapter shall be approved by the secretary prior to the filing of the rules in accordance with the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq.

SECTION 19. Arkansas Code § 19-11-216 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-216. State Procurement Director.

(a)(1) The executive head of the Office of State Procurement is designated as the administrator of the Office of State Procurement, and as such, he or she shall be known and designated as the “State Procurement Director”.

(2) The State Procurement Director shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(b) The State Procurement Director shall be at least thirty (30) years of age, of good moral character, and of demonstrated ability or capacity in the field of purchasing commodities and services.

SECTION 20. Arkansas Code § 19-11-217(b), concerning the State Procurement Director, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter and upon the approval of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, the State Procurement Director shall have the authority and responsibility to promulgate rules consistent with this subchapter.

(2) In addition, consistent with the provisions of this subchapter, the director may adopt rules governing the internal procedures of the Office of State Procurement.

SECTION 21. Arkansas Code § 19-11-218(a)(1), concerning written delegation orders, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Subject to the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, § 21-5-201 et seq., and the approval of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, the State Procurement Director may:

(1) Employ and supervise such assistants and other persons as may be necessary;

SECTION 22. Arkansas Code § 19-11-220(b), concerning agency procurement officials, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) Each official shall manage and establish internal procedures for the procurement office of the state agency authorized to have the official to ensure adequate administrative procedures and controls pursuant to law and the procurement rules.

(2)(A) Approval by the Office of State Procurement of contracts administered by the official shall not be required, unless a determination has been made by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services that administrative procedures and controls are not adequate.

(B)(i) Such a determination shall result in notification by the secretary of the specific deficiencies and the reasons therefor.

(ii) After the notification, approval of contracts by the Office of State Procurement shall be required until the secretary determines that the deficiencies have been corrected.

SECTION 23. Arkansas Code § 19-11-226 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-226. Recommendations.

(a) The State Procurement Director shall maintain a close and cooperative relationship with the using agencies.

(b)(1) The director shall afford each using agency reasonable opportunity to participate in and make recommendations with respect to matters affecting the using agency.

(2) At any time, any using agency may make recommendations to the director, and the director may make recommendations to any using agency.

(3) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may make recommendations to the director.

SECTION 24. Arkansas Code § 19-11-227 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-227. Statistical data.

The State Procurement Director and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall cooperate with the Division of Budgets and Accounting in the preparation of statistical data concerning the procurement and disposition of all commodities and services, unless otherwise

provided in this subchapter.

SECTION 25. Arkansas Code § 19-11-235(b), concerning the responsibility of bidders and offerors, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) Except as otherwise provided by law, information furnished by a bidder or offeror pursuant to this section shall not be disclosed outside of the Office of State Procurement or the procurement agency without prior written consent by the bidder or offeror.

(2) This section is not intended to prohibit the office from disclosing such information to the Governor, the Attorney General, or the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services when any of those officers deems it necessary.

SECTION 26. Arkansas Code § 19-11-242 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-242. Commodity management rules.

The State Procurement Director shall promulgate rules governing:

(1) The sale, lease, or disposal of surplus commodities by public auction, competitive sealed bidding, or other appropriate method designated by rule, and no employee of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services or member of the employee's immediate family shall be entitled to purchase any such commodities;

(2) The transfer of excess commodities within the state; and

(3) The sale, lease, or disposal of surplus commodities to not-for-profit organizations under § 22-1-101.

SECTION 27. Arkansas Code 19-11-249(a)(2), concerning cooperative purchasing, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) A cooperative purchasing agreement is limited to public school construction services, commodities, and other services for which the public procurement unit may realize savings or material economic value, or both.

(B)(i) For cooperative purchasing agreements entered into by a state agency, the State Procurement Director shall consider the economic justification for using a cooperative purchasing agreement when granting or withholding approval for the cooperative purchasing agreement.

(ii) The director shall adopt rules to create a review policy outlining how the economic justification required under this section may be demonstrated, including without limitation a comparison of:

(a) Current state contract pricing and the pricing under a cooperative purchasing agreement; or

(b) Information obtained from a request for information and pricing under a cooperative purchasing agreement.

(C) The director and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall submit any request for the Office of State Procurement to participate in a cooperative purchasing agreement to

the Governor for approval.

SECTION 28. Arkansas Code § 19-11-264(c), concerning submission of contracts with members of the General Assembly, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The contract shall not be submitted to the Legislative Council or to the Joint Budget Committee until the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services has reviewed the contract and provided the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee with a recommendation regarding the legality of the contract.

SECTION 29. Arkansas Code 19-11-271(a), concerning compliance reporting, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Each report required under this subchapter shall be copied to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, who shall review each report for compliance with the fiscal responsibility and management laws of the state under the State Fiscal Management Responsibility Act, § 19-1-601 et seq.

SECTION 30. Arkansas Code § 19-11-705(b), concerning employee conflict of interest, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Financial Interest in a Blind Trust. Where an employee or any member of the employee's immediate family holds a financial interest in a blind trust, the employee shall not be deemed to have a conflict of interest with regard to matters pertaining to that financial interest if disclosure of the existence of the blind trust has been made to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 31. Arkansas Code § 19-11-706(a), concerning employee disclosure requirements, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Disclosure of Benefit Received from Contract. Any employee who has or obtains any benefit from any state contract with a business in which the employee has a financial interest shall report such benefit to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services. However, this section shall not apply to a contract with a business where the employee's interest in the business has been placed in a disclosed blind trust.

SECTION 32. Arkansas Code 19-11-712(b), concerning civil and administrative remedies against employees who breach ethical standards, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Supplemental Remedies. In addition to existing remedies for breach of the ethical standards of this subchapter, or rules promulgated under this subchapter, the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may impose any one (1) or more of the following:

(1) Oral or written warnings or reprimands;

(2) Forfeiture of pay without suspension;

(3) Suspension with or without pay for specified periods of time; and

(4) Termination of employment.

SECTION 33. Arkansas Code § 19-11-713(b), concerning civil and administrative remedies against nonemployees who breach ethical standards, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Supplemental Remedies. In addition to the existing remedies for breach of the ethical standards of this subchapter, or rules promulgated under this subchapter, the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may impose any one (1) or more of the following:

(1) Oral or written warnings or reprimands;

(2) Termination of transactions; and

(3) Suspension or debarment from being a contractor or subcontractor under state contracts.

SECTION 34. Arkansas Code § 19-11-715 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-715. Duties of Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(a) Rules. The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall promulgate rules to implement this subchapter and shall do so in accordance with this subchapter and the applicable provisions of the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq.

(b) Advisory Opinions. On written request of employees or contractors and in consultation with the Attorney General, the secretary may render written advisory opinions regarding the appropriateness of the course of conduct to be followed in proposed transactions. Such requests and advisory opinions may be duly published in the manner in which rules of this state are published. Compliance with the requirements of a duly promulgated advisory opinion of the secretary shall be deemed to constitute compliance with the ethical standards of this subchapter.

(c) Waiver. On written request of an employee, the secretary may grant an employee a written waiver from the application of § 19-11-705, which refers to employee conflict of interest, and grant permission to proceed with the transaction to such extent and upon such terms and conditions as may be specified. Such waiver and permission may be granted when the interests of the state so require or when the ethical conflict is insubstantial or remote.

SECTION 35. Arkansas Code § 19-11-716(b)(1), concerning participation in business incubators, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall promulgate rules pursuant to the procedure for adoption as provided under the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq., and under § 10-3-309 to implement a program allowing admittance to business incubators by faculty or staff of state-supported institutions of higher

education or admittance by companies in which faculty or staff may hold an ownership interest.

SECTION 36. Arkansas Code § 19-11-1014 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-1014. Compliance reporting — Definition.

(a) Each report required under this subchapter shall be copied to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, who shall review each report for compliance with the fiscal responsibility and management laws of the state under the State Fiscal Management Responsibility Act, § 19-1-601 et seq.

(b) If the secretary determines that a state agency, agency procurement official, or state official or employee may be in violation of the fiscal responsibility and management laws of the state under the State Fiscal Management Responsibility Act, § 19-1-601 et seq., the secretary shall notify the chief executive officer of the relevant state agency.

SECTION 37. Arkansas Code § 19-11-1101 is amended to read as follows:

19-11-1101. Contracts.

(a) An agency procurement official or procurement agent may enter into contracts to acquire technology systems for performing the revenue-generating functions and duties of the agency, including, but not limited to, registration, processing, and collection functions.

(b) Any contract entered into under this subchapter between an agency procurement official or procurement agent and a vendor of technology systems shall provide for:

(1) Payment of the technology systems on the basis of a percentage of the increase in the amount of specific taxes or fees collected, including interest and penalties thereon, for a fixed time period, which increase exceeds revenues projected prior to the project and is attributable to the implementation and use of the technology system; or

(2) Payment of the technology system on a fixed fee contract basis, the fee to be paid from the increase in the amount of specific taxes or fees collected, including interest and penalties thereon, which increase exceeds revenues projected prior to the project and is attributable to the implementation and use of the technology system.

(c)(1) All contracts authorized by this subchapter shall be entered into pursuant to the requirements of the Arkansas Procurement Law, § 19-11-201 et seq., and amendments thereto.

(2) Prior to execution of the contract, the following process shall be followed:

(A) The requesting agency shall request approval from the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services to prepare a request for proposal for a project authorized under this subchapter;

(B) The request shall include the general nature of the project,

the anticipated revenues that will be enhanced, and the forecasted revenues for the current biennium;

(C) Upon approval of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, the requesting agency shall prepare a request to the Department of Finance and Administration for approval to prepare a request for proposal for a technology project authorized under this subchapter;

(D) The request must include the revenue source or sources that will be increased as a result of the project and the projected revenues for the anticipated life of the project;

(E) The requesting agency shall prepare a request for proposal, with advice and consultation from the department, for the purchase of technology systems on the basis of a portion of the increase in the agency's revenues produced by the technology system; and

(F)(i) The request for proposal may provide that the agency and the vendor may negotiate an amount or baseline upon which the increase in taxes or fees is measured.

(ii) Any contract other than a fixed fee contract shall include a factor in the baseline calculation to account for an increase in taxes or fees due solely to economic factors and not to the use of the technology.

(3) The agency procurement official or procurement agent and the vendor shall negotiate the contract~~,~~ with the oversight of the department to assist in negotiating an advantageous contract.

(4)(A) The agency director shall submit the proposed contract and a request for new appropriation to the Governor or his or her designee.

(B) The accompanying information will include the methodology used to calculate the baseline amount proposed by the agency and other justifications and information that detail the program and the expected benefits of the agreement.

(C) The Governor or his or her designee shall study the request and determine whether the appropriation requested and the terms of the proposed contract are in strict compliance with this subchapter.

(D)(i) The Governor may approve or modify the request for new appropriation and the proposed contract.

(ii) Any modification of the proposed contract shall be submitted to the vendor for approval.

(5)(A) Upon approval of the shared benefit agreement and new appropriation request, the Governor shall seek the advice and recommendation of the Legislative Council.

(B) Upon review of the Legislative Council, the Governor shall forward a copy of his or her approvals to the agency director and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

(d) After receipt of the Governor's approvals, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall direct the Auditor of State and the Treasurer of State to establish upon

their books of record the necessary appropriation accounts in accordance with the provisions as set out in this section from the shared benefit holding appropriation.

(e) The requesting agency may utilize these appropriations to implement the approved contract.

(f) Nothing in this section shall prohibit an agency that enters into a contract according to this section from acquiring any goods or services through appropriations for any function or program of that agency not specifically included in any contract entered into according to this section.

(g) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may promulgate such rules, procedures, and guidelines as he or she may deem necessary and proper in order to carry out the provisions of this section.

SECTION 38. Arkansas Code § 21-1-103(d), concerning the service recognition program, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall promulgate reasonable rules as he or she deems necessary in carrying out the provisions of this service recognition program.

SECTION 39. Arkansas Code § 21-1-604(f), concerning civil liability definitions, is amended to read as follows:

(f)(1) In the event the Office of Personnel Management implements an employee grievance mediation program, a public employee or public employer may voluntarily participate in mediation under the office's mediation program if either one wishes to resolve a dispute between them that involves an adverse action taken against the public employee.

(2) Voluntary mediation shall occur before a civil action in which the public employee and public employer are parties has been initiated in a court.

(3) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall adopt voluntary mediation application and request forms.

SECTION 40. Arkansas Code § 21-3-601(a), concerning the Arkansas Public Service Internship Program, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall establish an internship program to be known as the “Arkansas Public Service Internship Program”.

SECTION 41. Arkansas Code § 21-4-214 is amended to read as follows:

21-4-214. Catastrophic leave program.

(a)(1) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall have administrative responsibility for developing, implementing, and maintaining the statewide catastrophic leave bank program.

(2)(A) Each state agency shall participate in a catastrophic leave bank

to be administered by the Office of Personnel Management.

(B) The following governmental entities may establish a catastrophic leave bank for the governmental entities' employees:

(i) The General Assembly;

(ii) The Bureau of Legislative Research;

(iii) Arkansas Legislative Audit;

(iv) The Arkansas Department of Transportation;

(v) The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission;

(vi) The Supreme Court;

(vii) The Court of Appeals;

(viii) The Administrative Office of the Courts;

(ix) A constitutional office; and

(x) An institution of higher education.

(b) Accrued annual leave and sick leave of employees may be donated to a catastrophic leave bank.

(c) Catastrophic leave with pay may be granted to an employee when the employee is unable to perform his or her duties due to a catastrophic illness, including maternity purposes.

(d) An employee may be eligible for catastrophic leave when:

(1)(A) The employee has been employed by the state for one (1) year or more or was previously employed by a public school district or state-supported institution of higher education for one (1) year or more.

(B) A person who was employed by a public school district or state-supported institution of higher education for less than one (1) year also is eligible for catastrophic leave if:

(i) The person's combined years of employment with the state and with a public school district or state-supported institution of higher education totals more than one (1) year; and

(ii) The lapse in the person's employment between the state and a public school district or state-supported institution of higher education is less than six (6) months;

(2) The employee is female, and the catastrophic leave is to be used for maternity purposes after:

(A) The birth of the employee's biological child;

(B) The placement of an adoptive child under one (1) year of age in the home of the employee; or

(C) The foster placement of an infant under one (1) year of age;

(3)(A) At the onset of the illness or injury the employee had to his or her credit at least eighty (80) hours of combined sick and annual leave and has exhausted all such leave, unless the combined sick and annual leave requirement is waived under subdivision (d)(3)(B) of this section.

(B) A state agency director or a president of an institution of higher education may waive the minimum eighty-hour requirement for combined sick and annual leave if the agency director determines that the employee warrants

eligibility because of extraordinary circumstances under the standards and guidelines promulgated under subdivision (g)(2) of this section;

(C)(i) An employee on catastrophic leave for maternity purposes is not required to exhaust sick or annual leave before being granted catastrophic leave.

(ii) An employee on catastrophic leave for maternity purposes does not accrue any leave;

(4) An acceptable medical certificate from a physician supporting the continued absence is on file; and

(5) The employee has not been disciplined for any leave abuse during the past year from the time of application.

(e)(1) Up to twelve (12) consecutive weeks of catastrophic leave with full pay may be granted to an employee for maternity purposes.

(2) The employee shall be eligible for the leave only within the first twelve (12) weeks after the birth, fostering, or adoption of a child.

(3) After the expiration of the twelve (12) weeks of leave under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, maternity leave shall be treated as any other leave for sickness or disability under § 21-4-209.

(4) Catastrophic leave for maternity purposes shall run concurrently with the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, Pub. L. No. 103-3.

(5) The employee shall not be eligible for an additional twelve (12) weeks of leave for the adoption of a child if the employee took twelve (12) weeks of leave after the initial foster placement of the same child into the employee's home.

(f) If the illness or injury is that of an employee and is covered by workers' compensation, the compensation based on catastrophic leave when combined with the weekly workers' compensation benefit received by the employee shall not exceed the compensation being received by the employee at the onset of the illness or injury.

(g) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, or the secretary's designee, shall establish policies and procedures:

(1) As deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this section; and

(2) To prescribe the standards and guidelines of the extraordinary circumstances that the state agency director or the president of an institution of higher education may use to waive the minimum requirement for combined sick and annual leave.

SECTION 42. Arkansas Code § 21-5-106(b), concerning annual career service recognition payments for state employees, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The Office of Personnel Management shall establish and publish policies and procedures for the administration of career service recognition payments to state employees upon a determination by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative

Services that sufficient funds are available for such purpose.

SECTION 43. Arkansas Code § 21-5-109(a), concerning electronic direct deposit for new employees, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1)(A) As a condition of employment, a person hired or appointed to a position in any agency in state government on or after August 12, 2005, shall be required to accept payment of salary or wages by electronic warrants transfer.

(B) The electronic warrants transfer shall be made in the form of a direct deposit of funds to the account of the beneficiary of the payment in any financial institution equipped for electronic fund transfers, provided that the financial institution is designated in writing by the beneficiary and has lawful authority to accept such deposits.

(2)(A)(i) Any person affected by the direct deposit requirement set forth in subdivision (a)(1) of this section may request an exemption from the requirement.

(ii) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may grant an exemption from the direct deposit requirement upon a showing of hardship to the person requesting the exemption or upon any other reasonable basis.

(B) The secretary shall establish the standards and procedures for granting an exemption from the direct deposit requirement set forth in subdivision (a)(1) of this section.

(3) The direct deposit requirement set forth in subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall not apply to a person who is in the employment of the state prior to August 12, 2005, and subsequently receives a promotion appointment, transfer, or other change in position within the same personnel system on or after August 12, 2005.

SECTION 44. Arkansas Code § 21-5-203(a)(12), concerning definitions under the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, is amended to read as follows:

(12) "Office of Personnel Management" means the Office of Personnel Management within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services acting under the authority granted in this subchapter and subject to the direction of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services;

SECTION 45. Arkansas Code § 21-5-211(b)(1), concerning the implementation procedure for grade changes, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) If the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services determine that general revenue funds are insufficient to implement the salary increases authorized in this subchapter or by any other law that affects salary increases for state employees, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the secretary upon approval by

the Governor may reduce the percentage of all authorized salary increases for all state employees covered by this subchapter without regard to whether or not the employees are compensated from general or special revenues, federal funds, or trust funds.

SECTION 46. Arkansas Code § 21-5-214(c)(1), concerning new appointments and other compensation plan provisions, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) A state agency may request a special rate of pay for a specific classification or position due to prevailing market rates of pay up to the midpoint pay level of the appropriate grade of a classification on the appropriate pay table for the assigned grade with the written approval of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 47. Arkansas Code § 21-5-218 is amended to read as follows:

21-5-218. Reimbursement for interpreter services for deaf.

Whereas Arkansas Rehabilitation Services currently purchases and sells staff interpreter services for the deaf with four (4) other agencies, the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, the Arkansas School for the Deaf, and the Administrative Office of the Courts and whereas the need for interpreters is immediate and often for crisis purposes and cannot be planned ahead, the Division of Workforce Services is authorized to arrange for reimbursement with those agencies, assuring that the amount paid from both agencies will not exceed the maximum for the grades they occupy consistent with the intent of § 19-4-1604, with notification and justification to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 48. Arkansas Code § 21-5-220(c), concerning shift differentials, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) If a facility uses shifts other than traditional eight-hour shifts, a shift differential may be paid for those shifts exceeding the normal day shift of the facility.

(2) If shift and weekend differentials are provided to an employee, the total compensation may exceed the maximum annual rate for the assigned pay grade for those positions included in this subchapter.

(3)(A) The state agency shall identify the shifts, job classifications, and positions to be eligible for the shift differential and the differential percentage for which each classification is eligible within each shift.

(B) The shift schedule, job classifications, positions, and the percentage of shift differential for which the job titles will be eligible shall be submitted to the Office of Personnel Management for approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(C) Subsequent changes to the shift schedule, job classifications, positions, and shift differential percentages shall be submitted to the Office of Personnel Management and receive prior approval by the Secretary of the

Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 49. Arkansas Code § 21-5-221(c) and (d), concerning compensation differentials, are amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) Hazardous duty differential of up to ten percent (10%) may be authorized for the increased risk of personal physical injury for an employee occupying a certain identified high-risk position if the:

(A) Position classification is determined to be physically hazardous or dangerous due to location, facility, services provided, or other factors directly related to the duty assignment of the positions; and

(B) Employee's regularly assigned work schedule exposes him or her to clear, direct, and unavoidable hazards during at least fifty percent (50%) of the work time and the employee is not compensated for the hazardous exposure.

(2)(A) The director of the requesting state agency shall identify the facility or unit, location, and eligible positions and classifications within the facility or unit that are identified as high-risk.

(B) The positions shall be certified by the state agency director as having been assigned to a work environment that poses an increased risk of personal injury and shall be submitted as part of the plan for payment of hazardous duty differential to the Office of Personnel Management for approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services in consultation with the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State after review and approval of the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee.

(C) Subsequent changes to the facility or unit, location, and eligible positions or classifications within the facility or unit on file with the Office of Personnel Management shall receive prior approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services after review and approval by the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee.

(d) It is the intent of this subsection that hazardous duty compensation shall be at the discretion of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services and the director of the state agency and shall not be implemented using funds specifically set aside for other programs within the state agency.

SECTION 50. Arkansas Code § 21-5-222(a)(1), concerning salary administration grids, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) A state agency may request that a salary administration grid be approved for specific classifications or positions if the:

(A) State agency has documented the need for a salary administration grid for specified positions or classifications;

(B) Terms and conditions of a grid proposed by the state agency address the needs of the targeted positions;

(C) Cost of implementing and maintaining a salary administration grid is within the state agency's existing appropriation and the implementation does not use funds specifically set aside for other programs within the state agency;

(D) Salary administration grid has been submitted to the Office of Personnel Management for approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services up to the midpoint pay level; and

(E)(i) Salary administration grid has been submitted to the Office of Personnel Management for approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services above the midpoint pay level.

(ii) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall not approve the salary administration grid in this subdivision (a)(1)(E) until the salary administration grid has been reviewed by the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee.

SECTION 51. Arkansas Code § 21-5-223(a)(1), concerning severance pay, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) If the agency director determines that it is necessary to implement the state workforce reduction policy due to state agency organization structure change, budgetary reductions, abolishment of positions or duties, loss of functional responsibility by the state agency, or the loss of federal funding, grants, or other special funds, the agency director, upon approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, may authorize the payment of funds on a regular payroll schedule as severance pay to full-time, part-time, and job sharing classified and nonclassified employees in regular positions affected by the workforce reduction on the basis of the following pro rata lump sum for completed years of service, including any formally implemented probationary period:

Over one (1) year up to five (5) years	Eight hundred dollars ($800)
Over five (5) years up to fifteen (15) years	One thousand two hundred dollars ($1,200)
Over fifteen (15) years	One thousand six hundred dollars ($1,600)

SECTION 52. Arkansas Code § 21-5-406(a), concerning the director of the State Board of Finance, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) The State Board of Finance shall choose the Director of the Employee Benefits Division with the approval of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(2)(A) The director shall be employed by and serve at the pleasure of the secretary, and shall perform all duties in consultation with the secretary.

(B) However, the board may recommend the removal of the director, but removal is subject to the approval of the secretary.

(3) The director shall employ staff adequate to manage the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Program within the funds appropriated for the program within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 53. Arkansas Code § 21-5-414(a), concerning partial state contribution of employees' premiums, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall seek the advice of the Legislative Council and the House Committee on Insurance and Commerce and the Senate Committee on Insurance and Commerce before additional state contributions can be made to the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Program on behalf of state employees.

SECTION 54. Arkansas Code § 21-5-1101(a), concerning definitions in the merit increase pay system, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services is authorized to develop and establish a merit increase pay system in accordance with the performance evaluation process under § 21-5-1001 et seq. for employees of all state agencies, boards, and commissions covered by the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, § 21-5-201 et seq.

(2) The merit increase pay system shall be reviewed by the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee.

SECTION 55. Arkansas Code § 21-5-1202(b), concerning the compensation of employees of state agencies and state-supported institutions of higher education — Emergency activities, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall establish appropriate procedures for the administration of this section.

SECTION 56. Arkansas Code § 21-11-104(a), concerning the procedure for submission of suggestions, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, or his or her designee, is directed to develop and adopt rules in accordance with this chapter for the administration of the Employee Suggestion System.

SECTION 57. Arkansas Code § 22-2-104 is amended to read as follows:

22-2-104. Creation of Building Authority Division.

(a) There is created within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services the Building Authority Division.

(b) The division shall carry out the duties and responsibilities set out in § 22-2-108 under the policies, guidelines, standards, and procedures established by the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 58. Arkansas Code § 22-2-105 is amended to read as follows:

22-2-105. Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services — Duties.

(a) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may hire sufficient staff as authorized by legislation to perform the duties of the Building Authority Division. Personnel employed by the secretary shall be compensated according to the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, § 21-5-201 et seq., for similar duties and responsibilities.

(b) The secretary shall be responsible for administering the rules and policies adopted by the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

(c) The secretary shall be the disbursing agent for the division and shall pay any and all accounts. The disbursing agent shall furnish and keep in effect a bond to the state with a corporate surety thereon which, together with any other bonds furnished by him or her, shall total in final sum not less than fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) and is conditioned that he or she will faithfully perform his or her duties and properly handle all funds received and disbursed by him or her and account for those funds. The bond so furnished shall be filed in the office of the Auditor of State. The premium on the bond shall be a proper charge against funds of the division.

SECTION 59. Arkansas Code § 22-2-107(a)(1)(A), concerning the creation of Building Authority Division sections, is amended to read as follows:

(a) There are created within the Building Authority Division the following sections which shall have the duties and responsibilities designated by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services and which may include, in relation to other provisions of this chapter, the duties and responsibilities respectively designated in this section:

(1) Construction Section. The Construction Section shall:

(A) Supervise the bidding and awarding of contracts for new construction and renovations for or by state agencies' capital improvements;

SECTION 60. Arkansas Code §22-2-108(a)(1), concerning the powers and duties, is amended to read as follows:

As may be provided, allowed, or limited by the provisions of this chapter, the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may establish policies, guidelines, standards, and procedures which shall guide and govern the Building Authority Division with regard to the following responsibilities, duties, powers, and activities:

(1) To investigate and obtain information concerning the various boards, commissions, authorities, agencies, departments, and offices of the state, which are the “state agencies”, in relation to:

(A) Where they are housed;

(B) Their present and projected needs for space and facilities;

(C) The rental being paid and the rental that state agencies

could reasonably pay for space and facilities in public and private buildings; and

(D) The public building space and facilities that can be feasibly financed from appropriated funds available to the division;

SECTION 61. Arkansas Code § 22-2-110 is amended to read as follows:

22-2-110. Schedule of supervision generally.

The powers, authorities, and responsibilities of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services relating to the acquisition of properties and to the supervision of all capital improvements, as defined in § 22-2-102, shall be in accordance with the schedules of supervision as provided in §§ 22-2-111 — 22-2-113.

SECTION 62. Arkansas Code § 22-2-112 is amended to read as follows:

22-2-112. Schedule of supervision — Designated funds.

(a) From the funds appropriated by the General Assembly to the Building Authority Division for the construction or purchase of a particular building or capital improvement which is specifically designated to be purchased, constructed, or improved for a particular state agency, the division shall carry out the powers, authorities, and responsibilities in respect to that construction or purchase as designated in § 22-2-111.

(b) The division shall review and approve architectural and engineering design plans and construction plans to ensure compliance with minimum design and construction standards and criteria promulgated by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services pursuant to this chapter.

(c) The division shall negotiate all contracts for architectural and engineering and construction services and revisions and modifications to those contracts.

SECTION 63. Arkansas Code § 22-2-113(a), concerning the schedule of supervision, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In all other cases, within or without Pulaski County, Arkansas, when the construction of public buildings or capital improvements is undertaken or is presently being undertaken or is authorized but not presently under contract by or for a state agency, then the Building Authority Division shall serve in a technical advisory capacity to advise an agency in relation to that agency's capital improvement and to perform review and approval duties, specifically including, but not limited to, the provision and performance of the following services and duties:

(1) Consult with the agency as to the need for and the type, cost, and design of the capital improvement;

(2) Assist the agency in reviewing architectural proposals and advising the agency in the selection of persons to perform architectural and engineering services, but the agency shall have the responsibility of selecting those persons. However, nothing in this subdivision (a)(2) shall affect the power and responsibility of the Building Authority Division to review and approve architectural and engineering design plans and to negotiate contracts for architects' and engineers' services as

otherwise provided in this section;

(3) Review and approve architectural and engineering plans and designs to ensure compliance with minimum design and construction standards and criteria promulgated by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services pursuant to this chapter;

(4) As agent for the state agency, negotiate and approve any contractual terms, relationships, or responsibilities for architectural and engineering services;

(5) Assist the state agency in receipt of bids for construction contracts necessary for the capital improvement if bids are required by law;

(6) Advise and assist the agency in the selection of persons to perform construction services, but the agency shall have the responsibility of selecting the persons to perform the services. However, nothing in this subdivision (a)(6) shall affect the powers and responsibilities of the Building Authority Division consistent with subdivisions (a)(7) and (8) of this section;

(7)(A) Review and approve construction plans to ensure compliance with minimum construction standards and criteria promulgated by the secretary as provided in this chapter.

(B)(i) This subdivision (a)(7) does not apply to the design or construction of an unpaved trail project.

(ii) The State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission shall ensure that an unpaved trail project created under this subdivision (a)(7) meets the standards for observation by registered professionals as established by the Building Authority Division;

(8)(A) As agent for the agency, negotiate and approve all construction contracts, revisions, and modifications necessary for the capital improvement.

(B)(i) This subdivision (a)(8) does not apply to the design or construction of an unpaved trail project.

(ii) The State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission shall ensure that an unpaved trail project created under this subdivision (a)(8) adheres to applicable public works laws;

(9) Assist and advise the state agency as to the operation, management, and maintenance of the capital improvement. However, the operation, management, and maintenance shall be in accordance with minimum standards as promulgated by the secretary; and

(10) Otherwise take such action as may be necessary to carry out the policies, standards, criteria, and other rules as may be adopted or promulgated by the secretary to implement the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 64. Arkansas Code § 22-2-114(a), concerning leasing responsibilities, is amended to read as follows:

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that state agencies be housed, whenever possible, in public buildings as soon as space and facilities in public buildings are available and that the acquisition and granting of leasehold interests in

land be regulated and supervised by the Building Authority Division. The division and all other state agencies are authorized and directed to implement that intent as follows:

(1)(A) The division is given the authority and responsibility to act as the leasing agent for all state agencies and component parts thereof, acting either as lessor or lessee, and to act as the agent for leasing space in all public buildings located in the State of Arkansas.

(B) In addition, the division is given the authority and responsibility to act as the leasing agent for any nonagency state entity if requested in writing by a nonagency state entity to act in that manner and if the responsibility for the services is accepted in writing by the division.

(C)(i) After July 1, 1975, no state agency shall enter into or renew or otherwise negotiate a lease between itself as lessor or lessee and a nongovernmental or other government lessor or lessee.

(ii) The division shall determine the needs of the state agency, locate appropriate rental space, and act as the agent for the state agency in negotiating the lease for the rental space;

(2) All state agencies and component parts thereof, when requested by the division, shall execute and enter into leases with the division for the leasing or renting of space and facilities in any public buildings. The leases may be upon such conditions, for such terms, for such rentals, and may contain such other provisions that the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services and the state agency involved determine to be appropriate and in the best interests of all concerned;

(3) Any state agency or component part thereof needing new or additional space shall notify the division, and the division shall prepare a lease for the space based upon the standards and criteria as adopted by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services. If space is available in a public building, the lease will be negotiated for placement in the public building;

(4) If the Real Estate Services Section determines that adequate space is not available in public buildings, the Real Estate Services Section shall act as provided in subdivision (a)(1) of this section to obtain adequate space from a privately owned facility;

(5)(A)(i) The secretary shall adopt standards and criteria for the leasing and utilization of space and the allocation of space to state agencies.

(ii) These standards and criteria shall be used as a basis for all planning, leasing of space, allocation of space to state agencies, or advising state agencies on leasing considerations.

(iii) These standards and criteria shall include, but not be limited to, equipment, work stations, private offices, conference rooms, reception areas, general equipment, vaults, and the necessary space to ensure adequate and effective circulation within and access to all state agencies, including parking and traffic patterns.

(B) In cities and towns having a population of less than twenty-five thousand (25,000) according to the last federal decennial census, for those state agencies providing direct public access services, preference shall be granted to lease space located in existing buildings in the central business district, as defined by the locality's planning commission, or, in the absence thereof, by the municipality's governing body, except in cases where location within the central business district would impair or restrict the intent of the services being provided to the public or the state's proximity to other state or nongovernmental services or where rental rates justify other locations;

(6) Leases as to office space, buildings, structures, parking lots, and grounds from private individuals, firms, and corporations by state agencies and component parts thereof shall be on a standard lease form approved by the secretary. The standard lease form shall contain all terms and conditions deemed necessary based on the type and purpose of the leased property. The secretary also shall adopt a standard lease form to be used by state agencies when subleasing from the division. Both standard lease forms shall be approved as to the legality of form and content by the Attorney General before becoming a requirement; and

(7) The division shall obtain and maintain files of all leases in existence from and after July 1, 1975, to which a state agency or component part thereof is a party.

SECTION 65. Arkansas Code § 22-2-115(a), concerning lease-purchase agreements, is amended to read as follows

(a) For the express purpose of providing adequate office facilities, the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, acting as the primary lessor, may enter into lease-purchase agreements to obtain facilities for state agencies. Each lease-purchase agreement shall contain a provision whereby the agreement shall be cancelled at the close of each fiscal biennium, if necessary, if funds for the payment of the rent under the lease-purchase agreement will not be available.

SECTION 66. Arkansas Code § 22-2-120(b), concerning exemptions from statutes concerning the Capitol Zoning District, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall endeavor to cooperate with the Capitol Zoning District Commission so as to establish coordinated physical development in the State Capitol area and to promote the uniform and appropriate regulation and development of the State Capitol area.

SECTION 67. Arkansas Code § 22-3-405 is amended to read as follows:

22-3-405. Capitol Parking Control Committee — Creation — Members — Meetings.

(a) There is created a committee to be known as the “Capitol Parking Control Committee”, hereinafter referred to as “the committee”, which shall have the powers

and duties provided in § 22-3-406.

(b) The committee shall be composed of three (3) members, as follows:

(1) The Secretary of State or a designee;

(2) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services or his or her designee; and

(3) A state employee designated by the Secretary of State who is employed on the State Capitol grounds in a position of administrator or higher by an agency or office other than that of the Secretary of State or of the Building Authority Division.

(c) The Secretary of State shall be the chair of the committee, and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services or his or her designee shall serve as secretary of the committee.

(d) Members of the committee shall serve without additional pay or compensation.

(e) Meetings of the committee shall be held at such times and places as shall be directed by the chair or upon the petition of two (2) members of the committee.

SECTION 68. Arkansas Code § 22-3-906 is amended to read as follows:

22-3-906. Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(a) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall be the custodian of all property held in the name of the Building Authority Division, shall be its disbursing agent and executive officer, and shall administer the provisions of this subchapter and the rules and orders established thereunder.

(b) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall employ such assistants and other personnel as are, in his or her opinion, necessary to properly administer the provisions of this subchapter.

(c)(1) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall furnish bond to the state, with a corporate surety thereon, in the penal sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000), conditioned that he or she will faithfully perform his or her duties and properly account for all funds received and disbursed by him or her.

(2) An additional disbursing agent's bond shall not be required of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, and the bond so furnished shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, and an executed counterpart thereof shall be filed with the Auditor of State.

(3) The premium on the bond shall be a proper charge against the funds under the control of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 69. Arkansas Code § 22-3-918(d), concerning notice for bids for construction bonds, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall execute all contracts awarded by the division.

SECTION 70. Arkansas Code § 22-3-1207(a)(1), concerning certificates of indebtedness and issuance and purchases authorized, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) For the purpose of providing funds for the construction of buildings as authorized in this subchapter, the Director of the Building Authority Division, with the approval of the Governor and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, is authorized and empowered to issue, and the State Board of Finance is authorized and empowered to purchase, Building Authority Division certificates of indebtedness of a total principal amount not to exceed twenty-five million dollars ($25,000,000).

SECTION 71. Arkansas Code § 22-3-1208(d), concerning certificates of indebtedness and terms and execution, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The certificates of indebtedness shall be executed on behalf of the division by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 72. Arkansas Code §22-3-1404(8), concerning the powers of the Building Authority Division, is amended to read as follows:

(8) Take such other actions not inconsistent with law as may be necessary or desirable to carry out the powers, purposes, and authority as set forth in this section in accordance with the policies promulgated by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 73. Arkansas Code § 22-3-1405(4), concerning the duties of the Building Authority Division, is amended to read as follows:

(4) Take such other actions not inconsistent with law as may be necessary or desirable to carry out the powers, purposes, and authority set forth herein, in accordance with the policies promulgated by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services as authorized by law.

SECTION 74. Arkansas Code § 22-3-1902(a), concerning rules promulgated for the Sustainable Building Design Program for State Agencies, is amended to read as follow:

(a) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall promulgate rules for the implementation of the Sustainable Building Design Program for State Agencies.

SECTION 75. Arkansas Code § 22-6-601 is amended to read as follows:

22-6-601. Sale procedure.

(a)(1)(A) The several state boards or commissions having supervision of the affairs of the charitable, penal, correctional, educational, and other institutions of the State of Arkansas and all other state boards and commissions, except the State Highway Commission, the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission, the State Parks, Recreation, and Travel Commission, the Division of Higher Education, and institutions of higher education, and the executive heads of all state offices, departments, divisions, and agencies, all referred to separately as "state agency", may sell or purchase, for cash in hand and upon compliance with the provisions of this section, the lands, in whole or in part, belonging to or under the supervision or control of the respective state agency or belonging to the state and held for the use or benefit of the state agency.

(B) State agencies may purchase lands, so that the lands, in whole or in part, shall belong to or be under the supervision or control of the respective state agency or belong to the state and be held for the use or benefit of the state agency.

(2) The provisions of this section shall not apply to:

(A) The sale of land by the Commissioner of State Lands;

(B) The transfer of state lands to political subdivisions of the State of Arkansas;

(C) The transfer of state lands between state entities; or

(D) The exchange of state lands for other lands which are suitable for state purposes if the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration has made a recommendation to the Governor that the exchange be made and if the Governor has approved the exchange.

(b)(1) State agencies may transfer lands in whole or in part to the Building Authority Division for the use of that state agency or other state agencies.

(2) In the event that the Building Authority Division shall sell the lands at a later date, the provisions of this section shall apply, and the proceeds of the sale, less any expenses and liquidated damages, shall be deposited into the State Treasury as a nonrevenue receipt to the credit of the fund from which the state agency that transferred the land to the Building Authority Division is operated.

(c)(1) In the event that a state agency elects to sell certain of its lands or to purchase lands, the state agency shall certify to the Building Authority Division its proposal for any sale or purchase.

(2)(A) The state agency proposing the sale or purchase of land shall obtain the services of a qualified appraiser to appraise the lands so proposed to be sold or purchased, with notice to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(B) The appraiser selected by the state agency, by education or experience, shall:

(i) Be capable of determining the value of lands, water and mineral rights, timber, and rural, agricultural, and noncultivatable lands;

(ii) Understand legal descriptions of real properties;

(iii) Have a working knowledge of county and state real

property records; and

(iv) Be capable of rendering dependable judgments of the values of properties, determining the flood plains of the properties, and of previous uses of the properties, which may result in environmental remediation.

(C) The appraiser shall be licensed and certified by the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters, and Home Inspectors.

(D) The appraiser shall take an oath or certify that he or she will not, directly or indirectly, be engaged in the purchasing or selling of the land or give information to any agent, friend, secret partner, or other partner so as to secure advantages of the information to himself or herself or any person, association, or company to the prejudice or exclusion of any other person.

(d)(1) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall furnish to the Governor:

(A) The appraisal;

(B) The state agency proposal to sell or purchase; and

(C) The Building Authority Division recommendations.

(2) The Governor, if he or she approves the proposed sale or purchase, shall endorse his or her approval of the proposal and transmit a copy of the proposal to the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(e)(1) The Building Authority Division shall give notice of the terms of the sale by publication in one (1) newspaper regularly published in Little Rock, Arkansas, and having a general circulation in the State of Arkansas, by four (4) weekly insertions therein.

(2) If there is a newspaper published in the county in which the lands are located having a general circulation therein, the notice shall also be published in that newspaper one (1) time a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, provided the land may be advertised for sale as a whole or in separate tracts.

(f) The notice shall specify a time and place, which time shall be not less than thirty (30) days from and after the date of the first insertion of the notice, for the receipt by the Building Authority Division of sealed bids for the purchase of the lands.

(g)(1) Each bid shall be accompanied by a cashier's check, payable to the order of the state agency and drawn upon a bank or trust company doing business in this state, in an amount equal to one-tenth (1/10) of the bid.

(2) The proceeds of the cashier's check of the successful bidder shall be credited against the bid upon payment of the balance or shall be retained by the state agency as liquidated damages upon failure to tender and pay the balance of the bid price.

(3) Cashier's checks of unsuccessful bidders shall be returned to them upon the completion of the sale to the successful bidder.

(4) The Building Authority Division, at the time and place specified in the notice, or by announcement then and there, or at some other time or place, shall open the bids which have been received and proceed to accept the highest bid

properly accompanied by a cashier's check for the lands in whole or in part as offered for such sale.

(h)(1) The lands shall be sold for the highest aggregate responsible bid, and no sale shall be otherwise than for cash, nor for less than the amount of the appraisal.

(2)(A)(i)(a) Upon approval by the Governor, lands may be sold to the highest responsible bidder for less than the amount of the appraisal if the bid process has been utilized and it has been determined and recommended by the state agency director and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services that further solicitation of bids is unnecessary.

(b) Upon approval, the state agency may enter into negotiations with the highest responsible bidder for the sale of the lands.

(ii) If negotiations are unsuccessful, the state agency may enter into negotiations with the next highest responsible bidder.

(B) Nothing shall preclude an agency from reletting bids under this section if the negotiations as stated in subdivision (h)(2)(A) of this section are unsuccessful.

(C) The Legislative Council shall review the sale of the land before the state agency finalizes the sale.

(i)(1) Upon receipt from the successful bidder of the full amount of his or her bid, the state agency shall execute and deliver its deed conveying the lands to him or her and shall certify a copy of the deed to the Governor.

(2) The deed shall recite in detail the compliance with the respective provisions of this section, which recitals shall be prima facie evidence of the facts so set forth.

(3) The deed need not be acknowledged to entitle it to be recorded.

(4) The effect of the deed, the provisions of this section having been substantially complied with in the sale, shall be to vest the purchaser with the title of the lands, at law and in equity, in fee simple absolute.

(5) Any conveyance of title to lands owned by the State of Arkansas shall be subject to § 22-6-113.

(j) Upon receipt thereof, the proceeds of the sale, including any liquidated damages, shall be deposited into the State Treasury, as a nonrevenue receipt, to the credit of the fund from which the state agency is operated. Any unexpended balance of such proceeds remaining at the end of each fiscal year as certified to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State by the state agency director may be carried forward until the end of the biennium following the biennium in which collected, after which any remaining balances shall be subject to § 19-5-1004.

(k)(1) Before any state agency may receive donated land, the state agency director shall certify the proposed donation request to the Building Authority Division.

(2) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall forward a recommendation to the Governor.

(3) No donation shall be made without approval from the Governor.

(l) Before a state agency purchases real property, the state agency shall

consult the Arkansas Buildings & Sites Database maintained by the Arkansas Economic Development Commission to determine if there is a property available for purchase that meets the practical and financial needs and specifications of the state agency.

SECTION 76. Arkansas Code § 22-9-201(c)(5), concerning the contracts awarded by the State Highway Commission, is amended to read as follows:

(5) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services or a designee may make or authorize others to make emergency contracting procedures as defined in subdivision (c)(3) of this section and in accordance with the minimum standards and criteria of the division.

SECTION 77. Arkansas Code § 22-9-208(a)(3), concerning the renovation of historic sites, is amended to read as follows:

(3) The procedures provided in subdivision (a)(2) of this section should be applicable for specific projects only after review and approval by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, and the Legislative Council. Provided, however, projects undertaken by public institutions of higher education exempt from review and approval of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall not require review and approval by the secretary.

SECTION 78. Arkansas Code § 22-10-501(b)(1), concerning the review and approval of proposed qualifying projects, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) Before execution of an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement, the responsible public entity shall:

(A) Review, negotiate, and select a qualifying project in accordance with this chapter and the rules promulgated under this chapter; and

(B)(i) Submit the proposed interim agreement or comprehensive agreement to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services for approval.

(ii) After completing all of the steps in subdivision (b)(2) of this section, the responsible public entity shall submit a proposed comprehensive agreement to the Governor for approval and authorization to execute the comprehensive agreement.

SECTION 79. Arkansas Code § 22-10-502(a), concerning the duties of the Department of Transformation and Shared Services, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall promulgate certain rules regarding the definitions and guidelines related to the development of qualifying projects under this chapter within ninety (90) days of August 1, 2017.

SECTION 80. Arkansas Code § 22-10-503 is amended to read as follows:

22-10-503. Rules.

(a) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services and the Arkansas Development Finance Authority shall jointly promulgate rules to administer this chapter, including without limitation rules regarding:

(1) Criteria for selecting a qualifying project;

(2) Guidelines for a public entity operating under this chapter;

(3) Guidelines for monitoring and reporting on qualifying projects;

(4) Timeline for selecting a qualified respondent;

(5) Guidelines for negotiating a comprehensive agreement;

(6) Guidelines for the accelerated selection of a qualified respondent and the review and approval of a qualifying project that the Governor determines to be a priority and that is funded, in whole or in part, by dedicated revenues;

(7) Guidelines for selecting a qualifying project, including without limitation:

(A) Reasonable criteria for selecting and scoring among competing proposals;

(B) Financial review and analysis procedures for financial and technical advisors or consultants that include without limitation:

(i) A cost-benefit analysis;

(ii) A value-for-money analysis, which shall include without limitation a:

(a) Qualitative assessment;

(b) Quantitative assessment;

(c) Business case analysis; and

(d) Comparison of the net present value of the total, risk-adjusted costs of delivering a qualifying project under this chapter and through procurement methods outside of this chapter;

(iii) An assessment of the opportunity cost;

(iv) An analysis of the lifecycle costs, including without limitation the design and construction costs, operating costs, and maintenance and upgrade costs; and

(v) Consideration of the results of relevant studies and analyses related to the proposed qualifying project;

(C) Procedures for considering the nonfinancial benefits of a proposed qualifying project;

(D) Suggested timelines for selecting proposals and negotiating an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement;

(E) Criteria for allowing the responsible public entity to accelerate the selection, review, and documentation timelines for proposals involving a qualifying project that the responsible public entity considers to be a priority;

(F) Procedures to:

(i) Determine the adequacy of the information released when seeking proposals under this chapter; and

(ii) Allow the responsible public entity to release more

detailed information when seeking proposals if the responsible public entity determines that the release of additional information is necessary to encourage competition;

(G) Criteria, key decision points, and approvals that are required to ensure that the responsible public entity considers the extent of competition before selecting proposals and negotiating an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement;

(H) Criteria for establishing and determining any fees that the responsible public entity elects to charge under § 22-10-202;

(I) Procedures for posting and publishing the public notice of a responsible public entity's request for proposals, including without limitation:

(i) Specific information and documentation to be released regarding the nature, timing, and scope of the qualifying project;

(ii)(a) A reasonable time period as determined by the responsible public entity to encourage competition and public-private partnerships in accordance with the purpose of this chapter.

(b) However, the time period established under subdivision (a)(7)(I)(ii)(a) of this section shall not be less than forty-five (45) days, during which time the responsible public entity shall accept the submission of proposals for the qualifying project under this chapter; and

(iii) A process for posting the notice required under this subdivision (a)(7)(I) on the responsible public entity's official website and otherwise publishing the notice; and

(J) The maximum term of a comprehensive agreement for each type of qualifying project for which the responsible public entity intends to request proposals or invite bids from private entities;

(8) A responsible public entity's interaction with affected local jurisdictions and other public entities, including without limitation:

(A) Considerations and guidelines for establishing and determining the delivery of a request for proposals or an invitation for bids by the responsible public entity to each affected local jurisdiction and public entity that has complementary authority with respect to a qualifying project;

(B) The method of identifying affected local jurisdictions and public entities that have complementary authority with respect to a qualifying project; and

(C) The time period during which an affected local jurisdiction and a public entity other than the responsible public entity may:

(i) Submit written comments regarding the proposed qualifying project to the responsible public entity; and

(ii) Indicate whether the proposed qualifying project is compatible with local plans and budgets;

(9) Considerations and guidelines for establishing and determining the mandatory and optional elements of a proposal by a private entity under this chapter, including without limitation:

(A) A project description, including without limitation:

(i) The location of the qualifying project; and

(ii) The specific or conceptual design of the proposed facility, building, infrastructure, or improvement or a conceptual plan for the provision of services or technology infrastructure;

(B) A feasibility statement that includes without limitation:

(i) The method by which the private entity proposes to secure any necessary property interests required for the qualifying project;

(ii) A list of all permits and approvals required for the qualifying project from local, state, and federal agencies; and

(iii) A list of public utility facilities, if any, that will be crossed by the qualifying project and a statement of how the private entity will accommodate the crossings;

(C) A schedule for the initiation and completion of the qualifying project, including without limitation:

(i) The proposed responsibilities of the responsible public entity and the private entity;

(ii) A timeline of the activities to be performed by the responsible public entity and the private entity; and

(iii) A proposed schedule for obtaining the permits required under subdivision (a)(9)(B)(ii) of this section;

(D) A plan for financing the qualifying project, including without limitation:

(i) The sources of the private entity's funds;

(ii) Any dedicated revenue source or proposed debt or equity investment on behalf of the private entity;

(iii) A description of any user fees, lease payments, and other service payments to be paid over the term of the interim agreement or the comprehensive agreement; and

(iv) The methodology and circumstances for modifying any user fees, lease payments, and other service payments;

(E) A business case statement that includes a basic description of the indirect and direct benefits that the private entity can provide in delivering the qualifying project, including without limitation relevant cost, quality, and time frame data;

(F) The names and addresses of the persons who may be contacted for further information concerning the request; and

(G) Any additional material and information that the responsible public entity reasonably requests;

(10) Considerations and guidelines with respect to the preliminary, mandatory, and optional requirements of an interim agreement and a comprehensive agreement, including without limitation the:

(A) Engagement of:

(i) An attorney;

(ii) A certified public accountant;

(iii) A financial or economics professional; and

(iv) A consultant or other professional with specialized expertise that is relevant to the proposed qualifying project;

(B)(i) Delivery of one (1) or more written evaluations or assessments analyzing financial, legal, or other considerations that should be evaluated by the public entity, including without limitation an assessment of the costs of the qualifying project, the financial viability of the qualifying project, and all other financial and operating assumptions related to the qualifying project.

(ii) If municipal financing is a component of the interim agreement, the responsible public entity shall obtain a written evaluation of the proposed qualifying project from a municipal advisor registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board;

(C) Fees and expenses and the responsibility for paying the fees and expenses associated with engaging an attorney, certified public accountant, financial or economics professional, or other consultant; and

(D) Negotiation and creation of additional contracts for services and materials, including without limitation revenue contracts, construction contracts, management contracts, services contracts, and other agreements related to the qualifying project;

(11) Considerations and guidelines with respect to the preliminary, mandatory, and optional terms and conditions of an interim agreement, including without limitation:

(A) Criteria for determining when the private entity is permitted to commence activities and perform tasks related to the qualifying project for which the private entity shall be compensated, including without limitation:

(i) Project planning and development;

(ii) Design and engineering;

(iii) Environmental analysis and mitigation;

(iv) Surveying; and

(v) Ascertaining the availability of financing for the proposed qualifying project and the ownership of any work product developed;

(B) Criteria for establishing the process and timing of the negotiation of the comprehensive agreement;

(C) The process for amending, extending, or supplementing an interim agreement; and

(D) Other provisions and criteria related to the development of a proposed qualifying project;

(12) Considerations and guidelines with respect to the preliminary, mandatory, and optional terms and conditions of a comprehensive agreement, including without limitation:

(A) A thorough description of the duties of the responsible public entity and the qualified respondent in relation to the development and

operation of the qualifying project;

(B) Dates and schedules for the completion of the qualifying project, including any available extensions or renewals of the qualifying project;

(C) A pro forma analysis or budget under which the qualifying project shall be developed, financed, constructed, operated, and maintained;

(D) The source of all revenues derived from the operation and maintenance of the qualifying project and any process for modifying the revenues during the term of the comprehensive agreement;

(E) Financing and funding sources for the qualifying project and any contractual provisions related to the financing and funding sources for the qualifying project;

(F) A copy of each contract related to the development of the qualifying project;

(G) Reimbursements to be paid to the responsible public entity for services provided by the qualified respondent, if any;

(H) A process for the review of plans and specifications for the qualifying project by the responsible public entity and the engineering and architectural consultants of the responsible public entity, if any;

(I) A process for the periodic and final inspection of the qualifying project by the responsible public entity or its designee to ensure that the qualified respondent's development activities comply with the comprehensive agreement;

(J) For the components of the qualifying project that involve construction, provisions for the:

(i) Delivery of maintenance, payment, and performance bonds in the amounts that may be specified by the responsible public entity in the comprehensive agreement; and

(ii) Posting and delivery of all other bonds, letters of credit, or other forms of security acceptable to the responsible public entity in connection with the development of the qualifying project;

(K) Submission to the responsible public entity by the qualified respondent of proof of workers' compensation, property, casualty, general liability, and other policies of insurance related to the development and operation of the qualifying project in the amounts and subject to the terms that may be specified by the responsible public entity in the comprehensive agreement;

(L) A process for the responsible public entity's monitoring of the practices of the qualified respondent to ensure that the qualifying project is properly developed, constructed, operated, and maintained;

(M) The filing by the qualified respondent of appropriate financial statements with the responsible public entity related to the operations of the qualifying project within the timeframes established in the comprehensive agreement;

(N) Policies and procedures governing the rights and responsibilities of the responsible public entity and the qualified respondent if the

comprehensive agreement is terminated according to the terms of the comprehensive agreement or as the result of a default under the terms of the comprehensive agreement; and

(O) The process for amending, extending, or supplementing the terms of the comprehensive agreement; and

(13) Guidelines for using the value-for-money analysis as a determinative factor in selecting a qualifying project.

(b) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services and the Arkansas Development Finance Authority may jointly promulgate rules that establish procurement guidelines and requirements that vary depending on the type of qualifying project.

SECTION 81. Arkansas Code § 25-1-126(a)(1)(N), concerning the purchase of flags with public funds, is amended to read as follows:

(N) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services;

SECTION 82. Arkansas Code § 25-1-128 is amended to read as follows:

25-1-128. Policy regarding use of technology resources and cybersecurity by public entities — Definitions.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Employee" means a person employed by a public entity;

(2) "Public entity" means an instrumentality funded in whole or in part by taxpayer funds, including without limitation:

(A) The Department of Agriculture;

(B) The Department of Commerce;

(C) The Department of Corrections;

(D) The Department of Education;

(E) The Department of Energy and Environment;

(F) The Department of Finance and Administration;

(G) The Department of Health;

(H) The Department of Human Services;

(I) The Department of Inspector General;

(J) The Department of Labor and Licensing;

(K) The Department of the Military;

(L) The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism;

(M) The Department of Public Safety;

(N) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services;

(O) The Department of Veterans Affairs;

(P) The office of a constitutional officer;

(Q) A political subdivision of the state;

(R) A public school district;

(S) A public school district board of directors;

(T) An open-enrollment public charter school;

(U) An institution of higher education;

(V) The State Highway Commission;

(W) The Arkansas Department of Transportation; or

(X) The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission;

(3) "State educational entity" means an entity with an educational purpose that is funded in whole or in part by taxpayer funds that is, including without limitation:

(A) A public school district;

(B) A public school district board of directors; and

(C) An open-enrollment charter school;

(4) "State entity" means:

(A) The Department of Agriculture;

(B) The Department of Commerce;

(C) The Department of Corrections;

(D) The Department of Education;

(E) The Department of Energy and Environment;

(F) The Department of Finance and Administration;

(G) The Department of Health;

(H) The Department of Human Services;

(I) The Department of Inspector General;

(J) The Department of Labor and Licensing;

(K) The Department of the Military;

(L) The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism;

(M) The Department of Public Safety;

(N) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services;

(O) The Department of Veterans Affairs;

(P) The State Highway Commission;

(Q) The Arkansas Department of Transportation;

(R) The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission; and

(S) An institution of higher education; and

(5) "Technology resources" means:

(A) The machines, devices, and transmission facilities used in information processing, including computers, word processors, terminals, telephones, cables, software, and related products;

(B) The devices used to process information through electronic capture, collection, storage, manipulation, transmission, retrieval, and presentation of information in the form of data, text, voice, or image and includes telecommunications and office automation functions;

(C) Any component related to information processing and wired and wireless telecommunications, including data processing and telecommunications hardware, software, services, planning, personnel, facilities, and training;

(D) The procedures, equipment, and software that are designed, built, operated, and maintained to collect, record, process, store, retrieve, display, and transmit information, and the associated personnel, including consultants and contractors; and

(E) All electronic mail accounts issued by a public entity.

(b) A public entity shall:

(1) Create a technology resources policy that defines the authorized use of technology resources for the public entity;

(2)(A) Develop a cybersecurity policy for all technology resources of the public entity based on the standards and guidelines set by the State Cyber Security Office.

(B) Subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section shall not apply to political subdivisions of the state; and

(3)(A) Develop a training program for all employees of the public entity concerning the technology resources policy and cybersecurity policy.

(B) A political subdivision of the state is not required to develop a training program under this section for a cybersecurity policy.

(c)(1) The technology resources policy for each state entity shall be available to the public upon request.

(2) The Department of Education, in coordination with the State Cyber Security Office, shall:

(A) Develop technology resources policies that shall be used by each type of state educational institution; and

(B) Make the policies developed under subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section available to the public upon request.

(d) Each technology resources policy shall include prohibitions on the use of a public entity's technology resources, including without limitation that a public entity's technology resources shall not be used to:

(1) Express a personal political opinion to an elected official unless the opinion is:

(A) Within the scope of the employee's regular job duties; or

(B) Requested by an elected official or public entity;

(2) Engage in lobbying an elected official on a personal opinion if the employee is not a registered lobbyist for the public entity;

(3) Engage in illegal activities or activities otherwise prohibited by federal law or state law; or

(4) Intentionally override or avoid the security and system integrity procedures of the public entity.

(e) A public entity shall create a disciplinary procedure for a violation of the public entity's technology resources policy concerning authorized use of technology resources.

(f)(1) Each state entity shall submit a cybersecurity policy for the state entity for approval to the State Cyber Security Office by October 1 of each even-numbered year.

(2) The State Cyber Security Office shall establish a procedure to review and approve state entity cybersecurity policies.

(3) The Department of Education shall:

(A) Develop a cybersecurity policy that shall be used by each type of state educational institution;

(B) Submit the policies developed under subdivision (f)(3)(A) of this section for approval to the State Cyber Security Office by October 1 of each even-numbered year; and

(C) Coordinate with each state educational institution to implement the cybersecurity policy.

(g) A public entity, except for a political subdivision of the state, shall create a disciplinary procedure for a violation of the public entity's cybersecurity policy in consultation with the State Cyber Security Office that establishes:

(1) A disciplinary procedure for a violation of a state entity's cybersecurity policy; and

(2) The reporting procedure for suspected violations of the cybersecurity policy.

(h) All cybersecurity policies developed under this section shall not be deemed open public records under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.

(i) The disciplinary procedures under subsection (e) of this section shall not apply to employee communications made in compliance with the:

(1) Public Employees' Political Freedom Act of 1999, § 21-1-501 et seq.; or

(2) Arkansas Whistle-Blower Act, § 21-1-601 et seq.

SECTION 83. Arkansas Code § 25-1-129(d), concerning the purchase of small unmanned aircraft from covered foreign entity by public entities, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services may waive the restriction under subdivision (b)(2) or subdivision (c)(2) of this section upon:

(1) His or her review of the necessity to purchase a small unmanned aircraft system that is manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity due to exigent circumstances, Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems, or criminal investigative purposes; and

(2) Notification to the General Assembly.

SECTION 84. Arkansas Code § 25-1-901(4)(A), concerning definitions, is amended to read as follows:

(4)(A) “State entity” means an instrumentality of state government, including:

(i) The Department of Agriculture;

(ii) The Department of Commerce;

(iii) The Department of Corrections;
(iv) The Department of Education;
(v) The Department of Energy and Environment;
(vi) The Department of Finance and Administration;
(vii) The Department of Health;
(viii) The Department of Human Services;
(ix) The Department of Inspector General;
(x) The Department of Labor and Licensing;
(xi) The Department of the Military;
(xii) The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism;
(xiii) The Department of Public Safety;
(xiv) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services; and
(xv) The Department of Veterans Affairs.

SECTION 85. Arkansas Code § 25-1-904(b) and (c), concerning state entity training, are amended to read as follows:

(b) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall develop rules for the enforcement of the provisions of this subchapter.

(c) Each state entity head shall:

(1) Issue a policy incorporating the requirements of this subchapter into state entity operations;

(2) Request that the state entity thoroughly review and assess not less than annually thereafter, state entity compliance with the requirements of the policy in the form of a report submitted to the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services; and

(3) Assign at least one (1) employee of the state entity responsibility for ensuring compliance with the requirements of the policy.

SECTION 86. Arkansas Code § 25-4-104 is amended to read as follows:

25-4-104. Division of Information Systems.

(a) There is established within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services the Division of Information Systems.

(b)(1) The Division of Information Systems shall be headed by a director to be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate in the manner provided by law, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(2) The director shall be a person who, by education and training, has technical knowledge and management experience in information technology-related equipment, systems, and services.

(3) The director shall qualify by filing the oath of office required in the Arkansas Constitution with the Secretary of State.

(c) The director, in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, may establish divisions and the

organizational structure deemed necessary and appropriate for the efficient performance of the duties imposed under the provisions of this chapter, provided the organizational structure of the division shall conform to the positions authorized and limitations provided therefor in the biennial appropriation of the division.

(d) The director, in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services, shall appoint the deputy and division directors and the professional, technical, and clerical assistants and employees as necessary to perform the duties imposed by this chapter. All employees of the division shall be employed by the department and serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(e) The director shall report to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services any matters relating to abuses of this chapter.

(f) The director shall recommend statutory changes to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 87. Arkansas Code § 25-4-111(c), concerning information technology prerequisites, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) Upon evaluation of the waiver request, the director shall notify the agency in writing of his or her approval or rejection of the request and his or her reasons.

(2) The director shall make his or her evaluation in a timely manner. If the director requires more than thirty (30) days to complete the evaluation, he or she shall report in writing to the Governor and the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services his or her reasons for the delay in completion.

(3) If the director rejects a request for a waiver, a state agency shall not make any expenditure of public funds for the acquisition or expansion of information technology equipment or services.

(4) If the director determines that the agency needs additional information technology resources, he or she may:

(A) Authorize the agency to acquire the requested information technology in accordance with the state enterprise architecture;

(B) Authorize acquisition of a modified information technology configuration;

(C) Notify the agency of the availability of Division of Information Systems facilities to provide the requested information technology; or

(D) Recommend that the information technology be provided through the facilities of some other designated state agency.

SECTION 88. Arkansas Code § 25-4-115(b)(1), concerning the professional services contracts between the Division of Information Systems and outside vendors, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) The division may utilize moneys appropriated for maintenance, operation, and payment of regular salaries of the division for the purchase of professional services upon approval by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 89. Arkansas Code § 25-4-119(b), concerning budget procedures of the Division of Information Systems, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) When the General Assembly has completed the appropriation process, the director shall oversee budgetary planning for the division for each fiscal year of the biennium.

(2) The proposed annual operating budget shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services for his or her approval prior to the beginning of each fiscal year.

(3)(A) During the course of the biennium, the director shall make certain that the expenditures of the division do not exceed the income to be received by the division for the current fiscal year.

(B) Subject to the written approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State upon the written application of the division and review by the Legislative Council, in order to effect compliance with state and federal statutory and regulatory provisions:

(i) The director shall adjust rates for services or issue billing adjustments as necessary; or

(ii) Funds sufficient to effect compliance shall be provided to the division.

(4)(A) If rates charged to a customer are increased to ensure compliance with state and federal statutory and regulatory provisions under subdivision (b)(3) of this section, then the director shall promptly notify the Governor, the Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and Information Technology, and all state agencies and other customers before any changes shall be effected.

(B) Rates shall be reviewed by the division on no less than an annual basis in order to ensure compliance with state and federal statutory and regulatory provisions.

SECTION 90. Arkansas Code § 25-4-127(a) and (b), concerning the creation of a Data and Transparency Panel, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The Data and Transparency Panel is created within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

(b) The panel shall consist of the following members:

(1)(A) Three (3) appointees from the private sector who shall be appointed as follows:

(i) One (1) appointee shall be appointed by the Governor;

(ii) One (1) appointee shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

(iii) One (1) appointee shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

(B) Each appointee shall serve at the pleasure of his or her appointer.

(C) The appointer of an appointee who vacates his or her position on the panel shall fill the vacancy as required under this section;

(2) The Attorney General or his or her designee;

(3) The secretaries, directors, or their designees, of the following entities:

(A) The Department of Public Safety;

(B) The Department of Inspector General;

(C) The Department of Education;

(D) The Department of Energy and Environment;

(E) The Department of Corrections;

(F) The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism;

(G) The Department of Finance and Administration;

(H) The Department of Health;

(I) The Department of Agriculture;

(J) The Department of Human Services;

(K) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services;

(L) The Department of Labor and Licensing;

(M) The Department of ~~Veteran~~ Veterans Affairs;

(N) The Department of the Military; and

(O) The Department of Commerce;

(4)(A) The Chief Data Officer of the Division of Information Systems.

(B) The Chief Data Officer of the Division of Information Systems shall be the Chair of the Data and Transparency Panel.

(C) The members of the panel shall select a vice chair annually;

(5) The Chief Privacy Officer of the Division of Information Systems; and

(6) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or his or her designee.

SECTION 91. Arkansas Code 25-8-106 is amended to read as follows:

25-8-106. Marketing and redistribution of state personal property.

(a)(1) This section applies only with respect to personal property.

(2) This section does not apply to or affect the:

(A) Disposition of surplus real property of the state; or

(B) Sale of plants, animals, or commodities of plants or animals by a public institution of higher education if the proceeds from the sale are used solely for agricultural research, extension, or teaching programs, including without limitation 4-H programs and National FFA Organization programs.

(b)(1) There is created within the Office of State Procurement a Marketing and Redistribution Section for the purpose of promoting and ensuring effective

utilization of surplus state property.

(2)(A) All state agencies, boards, commissions, departments, and colleges and universities are required and county, municipal, or other tax-supported institutions are authorized to utilize the services of the Marketing and Redistribution Section, unless specifically exempted in writing by the State Procurement Director.

(B)(i) Nothing in this section shall be construed to make it mandatory that county, municipal, or other local government units utilize the services of the Marketing and Redistribution Section.

(ii) Nothing in this section shall be construed to make it mandatory that any agency, department, division, office, board, commission, or institution of this state, including state-supported institutions of higher education, utilize the services of the Marketing and Redistribution Section in the sale of surplus computer equipment and electronics to state agency employees for a price not less than ten percent (10%) above depreciated value.

(3) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall maintain adequate and accurate records of the costs for operating the Marketing and Redistribution Section and is authorized to establish fair and reasonable charges for the services of the Marketing and Redistribution Section. The charges for services shall be deposited into the State Treasury as nonrevenue receipts, there to be credited to the Property Sales Holding Fund for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the Marketing and Redistribution Section.

(c) The office may maintain an inventory of furniture, equipment, and other items which shall be made available to state agencies on rental agreements based upon fair and reasonable rental values.

(d) The department is authorized to establish a fair and reasonable fee schedule for redistributing property between state agencies upon their request.

(e) Proceeds from the sale, transfer, or rental of property by the director shall be accounted for as follows:

(1) The purchasers, transferees, and lessees of property available for such purposes as are authorized by this section shall transmit to the office the agreed sale price, service charge, or rental fee;

(2) The office shall deposit the full amount of proceeds received, as set out above, into the State Treasury in the manner as provided by law; and

(3)(A) Proceeds from the sale or transfer of property deposited into the State Treasury shall be classified as nonrevenue receipts and credited to the Property Sales Holding Fund herein created on the books of the Treasurer of State as a trust fund.

(B) Funds deposited into the Property Sales Holding Fund may be expended only by the selling or transferring agency under procedures established by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and appropriations provided by the General Assembly.

(C) However, funds deposited into the Property Sales Holding Fund from the sale of property purchased from agency cash funds may be refunded to the agency cash fund from which the original expenditure was made by the

issuance of a warrant under procedures established by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Auditor of State to be payable from appropriations provided by the General Assembly for disposition of the proceeds.

(f) The Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services is authorized to promulgate reasonable rules, not inconsistent with law, for compliance with the provisions of this section, the Arkansas Procurement Law, § 19-11-201 et seq., the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, § 19-4-101 et seq., and the sale of surplus commodities to not-for-profit organizations under § 22-1-101.

SECTION 92. Arkansas Code § 25-8-110(a)(1), concerning the duties of Department of Shared Administrative Services and Department of Finance and Administration, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall:

(1) Develop retention schedules for control, preservation, protection, and disposition of the electronic records of state agencies under § 25-18-601 et seq.;

SECTION 93. Arkansas Code § 25-10-503 is amended to read as follows:

25-10-503. Arkansas State Hospital contingency positions.

(a) If the Department of Human Services determines, after prior review by the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee, that it is in the best interest of the state to discontinue a management contract with a private provider and it is deemed necessary to utilize Department of Human Services staff to provide the required services, the Secretary of the Department of Human Services may request the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services to approve the establishment of one (1) or more additional positions at salary rates not to exceed the maximum salaries established for comparable positions in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, § 21-5-201 et seq., the operative appropriation act of the Department of Human Services, and the operative appropriation act of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

(b) Upon approval by the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services and after review by the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee, the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services of the Department of Human Services may establish positions described in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) If the division requests continuation of a position as established in this section, the position shall be requested as a new position in the division's budget request.

SECTION 94. Arkansas Code § 25-32-117 is amended to read as follows:

25-32-117. Creation and retention of electronic records and conversion of

written records by governmental agencies.

(a) Each governmental agency of this ~~State~~ state shall determine whether and the extent to which it will create and retain electronic records and convert written records to electronic records.

(b) Each state agency shall comply with applicable standards and policies adopted or established by the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services with advice and review from the Division of Information Systems to determine whether and the extent to which it will retain and convert written records to electronic records.

SECTION 95. Arkansas Code § 25-32-118(a), concerning the acceptance and distribution of electronic records by governmental agencies, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Except as otherwise provided in § 25-32-112(f), each governmental agency of this state shall determine whether and the extent to which it will send and accept electronic records and electronic signatures to and from other persons and otherwise create, generate, communicate, store, process, use, and rely upon electronic records and electronic signatures.

(2) For state agencies, the determinations shall be consistent with applicable standards and policies adopted or established by the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services with advice and review from the Division of Information Systems.

SECTION 96. Arkansas Code § 25-43-104(a), concerning cabinet-level departments, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The following cabinet-level departments are created:

(1) The Department of Agriculture;

(2) The Department of Commerce;

(3) The Department of Corrections;

(4) The Department of Education;

(5) The Department of Energy and Environment;

(6) The Department of Finance and Administration;

(7) The Department of Health;

(8) The Department of Human Services;

(9) The Department of ~~the~~ Inspector General;

(10) The Department of Labor and Licensing;

(11) The Department of the Military;

(12) The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism;

(13) The Department of Public Safety;

(14) The Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services; and

(15) The Department of Veterans Affairs.

SECTION 97. Arkansas Code § 25-43-108(d), concerning cabinet-level

department secretaries, is amended to read as follows:

(d) There is hereby created one (1) new classification and position for the executive head for each cabinet-level department, designated as follows:

(1) Secretary of the Department of Agriculture;

(2) Secretary of the Department of Commerce;

(3) Secretary of the Department of Corrections;

(4) Secretary of the Department of Education;

(5) Secretary of the Department of Energy and Environment;

(6) Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration;

(7) Secretary of the Department of Health;

(8) Secretary of the Department of Human Services;

(9) Secretary of the Department of Inspector General;

(10) Secretary of the Department of Labor and Licensing;

(11) Secretary of the Department of the Military;

(12) Secretary of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism;

(13) Secretary of the Department of Public Safety;

(14) Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services; and

(15) Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

SECTION 98. Arkansas Code § 25-43-1501 is amended to read as follows:

25-43-1501. Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

There is created the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services as a cabinet-level department.

SECTION 99. Arkansas Code § 25-43-1502 is amended to read as follows:

25-43-1502. State entities transferred to the Department of Transformation and Shared Services.

(a) The administrative functions of the following state entities are transferred to the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services by a cabinet-level department transfer:

(1) The Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board, created under § 15-21-503;

(2) The Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office, created under § 15-21-502;

(3) The Building Authority Division, created under § 22-2-104;

(4) The Data and Transparency Panel, created under § 25-4-127;

(5) The Department of Information Systems, created under § 25-4-104, now to be known as the “Division of Information Systems”;

(6) The Employee Benefits Division, created under § 25-43-1505;

(7) The Office of Personnel Management, created under § 25-43-1504; and

(8) The Office of State Procurement, created under § 19-11-215.

(b) Unless otherwise provided by law, a cabinet-level department transfer under subsection (a) of this section includes all state entities under a state entity transferred to the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services under subsection (a) of this section, including without limitation a division, office, program, or other unit of a state entity transferred to the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services under subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Unless otherwise provided by law, a state entity whose administrative functions have been transferred to the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services under subsection (a) of this section shall otherwise continue to exercise the duties of the state entity under the administration of the cabinet-level Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services in the same manner as before the creation of the cabinet-level department.

SECTION 100. Arkansas Code § 25-43-1503(a), concerning the Secretary of the Department of Transformation and Shared Services, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The executive head of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services shall be the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services.

SECTION 101. Arkansas Code § 25-43-1504 is amended to read as follows:

25-43-1504. Office of Personnel Management — State Personnel Administrator.

(a) There is created within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services the Office of Personnel Management.

(b)(1)(A) The Director of the Office of Personnel Management shall be known as the "State Personnel Administrator".

(B) The State Personnel Administrator shall be employed by the Secretary of the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services with the advice and consent of the Governor.

(2) The office shall be under the overall direction, control, and supervision of the secretary.

SECTION 102. Arkansas Code § 25-43-1505 is amended to read as follows:

25-43-1505. Employee Benefits Division.

There is created within the Department of ~~Transformation and~~ Shared Administrative Services the Employee Benefits Division.

SECTION 103. DO NOT CODIFY. Corrections. The Arkansas Code Revision Commission may change references to the Department of Transformation and Shared Services to the Department of Shared Administrative Services:

(1) During the codification of legislation enacted during the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly; and

(2) In existing law that was not included in this act.

SECTION 104. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the people of the State of Arkansas rely on state agency names to conduct their business; that to ensure the efficient operations of state government agencies it is important to set a date certain for the official change of the name of an agency; and that this act is necessary because it will allow the agency to prepare for the official name change in a timely and efficient manner. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on July 1, 2025.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL ,SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 147 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 12, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 89, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 90, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 12 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 89 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 140, SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 147, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 140 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 147 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 59, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1204, BY REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 50, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 134, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 136, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 137, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT CONCERNING EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution concerning efficiency in government and to provide for the creation of the Department of Government Efficiency.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 10 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY ON FEBRUARY 13, 2025, OF THE ROBERT W. JACK VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 1322 IN THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, THE OLDEST VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST IN ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 11 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Resolution No. 10 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR, ON FEBRUARY 5, 2025, THE SESQUICENTENNIAL OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CITY OF OSCEOLA.

Senate Resolution No. 10 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 77 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 77

As Engrossed: S2/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MAYBERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO REIMBURSE FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY PROVIDED IN A CLINIC-BASED SETTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 77 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 77. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.77 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Bill No. 146 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 146
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LIABILITY OF A PROPERTY OWNER WHO MAKES LAND AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "RECREATIONAL PURPOSE" AS USED IN RELATION TO THE LIABILITY OF A PROPERTY OWNER WHO MAKES LAND AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 146 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 146. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.146 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 150 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 150

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM; TO AMEND THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 150 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 150. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 150 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 182 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 182
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, S. FLOWERS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BARNES, K. FERGUSON, HOLCOMB, WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO REQUIRE A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE UNDER THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR UNTIL A NEW APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 182 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 182. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 182, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 182 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1273 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1273
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUPERIORITY OF A LIEN CREATED BY THE ENTRY OF CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS BY THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO PROVIDE THAT A LIEN CREATED BY THE ENTRY OF CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS BY THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION IS NOT SUPERIOR TO A PURCHASE MONEY MORTGAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1273 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Dees, Murdock.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....30
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1273 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on the following batched bills. Motion Carried.

SENATE BILL NO. 80
SENATE BILL NO. 105
SENATE BILL NO. 107
SENATE BILL NO. 108
SENATE BILL NO. 109
SENATE BILL NO. 112
SENATE BILL NO. 113
SENATE BILL NO. 114
SENATE BILL NO. 115
SENATE BILL NO. 125
SENATE BILL NO. 126
SENATE BILL NO. 129

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 80 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 80
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNOR'S LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS DURING THE NINETY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 80 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 80, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 80 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 105 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 105
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT BATESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 105 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 105, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 105 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 107 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 107
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 107 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 107, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 107 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 108 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 108
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SAU-TECH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 108 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 108, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 108 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 109 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 109
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 109 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 109, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 109 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 112 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 112
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - BEEBE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 112 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 112, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 112 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 113 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 113
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - NEWPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 113 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 113, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 113 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 114 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 114
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY THREE RIVERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 114 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 114, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 114 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 115 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 115
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT MORRILTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 115 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 115, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 115 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 125 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 125
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 125 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 125, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 125 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 126 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 126
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT PINE BLUFF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 126 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 126, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 126 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 129 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 129
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 129 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 129, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 129 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 200
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCLUDE TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS THAT ARE LEASED IN THE EXEMPTION FROM THE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 200 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE BRYANT HORNETS FOOTBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 7A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 13 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 14
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER, B. KING

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 9-15, 2025, AS EUREKA SPRINGS FBLA WEEK.

Senate Resolution No. 14 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 15
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR RETIRED DIRECTOR OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LORIE TUDOR FOR HER FORTY-ONE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND TO CONGRATULATE HER ON HER RETIREMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 15 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY AS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH.

Senate Resolution No. 16 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 15 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 16 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 46 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE BILL NO. 201
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS FOR CONGREGATE AND HOME-DELIVERED MEALS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING, ADULT, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 201 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR 2024 MISS ARKANSAS' TEEN BELLA CROWE.

Senate Resolution No. 17 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. PAYTON, STONE, FLIPPO, HILL, IRVIN, M. JOHNSON, RICE

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS FOR THEIR COMMON DEFENSE, FOR LAWFUL HUNTING AND RECREATIONAL USE, AND FOR ANY OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSE; PROVIDING THAT THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS INCLUDES WITHOUT LIMITATION THE POSSESSION AND USE OF AMMUNITION, FIREARM ACCESSORIES, AND FIREARM COMPONENTS; PROVIDING THAT THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS IS A NATURAL, FUNDAMENTAL, AND INDIVIDUAL RIGHT THAT SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED; AND PROVIDING THAT ANY RESTRICTION ON THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION SHALL BE UPHELD ONLY IF IT IS NARROWLY TAILORED TO SERVE A COMPELLING STATE INTEREST.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 2, § 5, TO PROTECT THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the

amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. INTENT OF AMENDMENT. It is the intent of this amendment to the Arkansas Constitution to protect the right to keep and bear arms granted under the Arkansas Constitution.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 2, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Right to keep and bear arms.

(a) The citizens of this State shall have the right to keep and bear arms~~,~~ for:

(1) ~~their~~ Their common defense;

(2) Lawful hunting and recreational use; and

(3) Any other lawful purpose.

(b) The right to keep and bear arms under subsection (a) of this section includes without limitation the possession and use of:

(1) Ammunition;

(2) Firearm accessories; and

(3) Firearm components.

(c)(1) The right to keep and bear arms under subsection (a) of this section is a natural, fundamental, and individual right that shall not be infringed.

(2) Any restriction on the right to keep and bear arms under subsection (a) of this section shall be upheld only if the restriction is narrowly tailored to serve a compelling state interest.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 4. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to Amend Arkansas Constitution, Article 2, § 5, to Protect the Right to Keep and Bear Arms.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1128
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY 127 OF 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1128 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1153
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR OPERATING, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - PROMOTION BOARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1153 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1181
As Engrossed: H1/29/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FULL PRACTICE AUTHORITY OF A CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE TO ALLOW ADMITTING PRIVILEGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1181 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1199
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE STATUTE CONCERNING THE PROHIBITION AGAINST A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS GRANTING A LEGAL TRANSFER UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1199 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1225
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1225 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1226
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MOUNTAIN HOME FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1226 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1227
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - PULASKI TECHNICAL COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1227 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1228
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1228 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1229
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OZARKA COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1229 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1230
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE NORTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1230 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1231
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE PHILLIPS COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1231 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1233
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1233 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1234
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT HOPE-TEXARKANA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1234 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1236
As Engrossed: H2/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE TO BE RELEASED FROM HIS OR HER CONTRACT BY A CERTAIN DATE UPON HIS OR HER WRITTEN REQUEST; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1236 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, MADDOX
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST REGISTRATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1245 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1247
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1247 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1248
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MID-SOUTH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1248 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1249
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE NATIONAL PARK COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1249 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1260
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1260 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1261
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1261 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1264
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - FORT SMITH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1264 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1266
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1266 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1310
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD INITIATIVE ACT; TO ABOLISH THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION FOR THE NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD INITIATIVE; TO TRANSFER ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY OVER THE NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANK TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1310 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 202
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HICKEY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATUTORY BONDING REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 202 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 203
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MADDOX, MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLICITY AND TOURISM; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OUTDOOR RECREATION ACTIVITIES AND RECREATIONAL TRAMWAYS; TO CREATE A RECREATIONAL TRAMWAY SYSTEM FOR STATE PARKS AND FOR OTHER LOCATIONS IN THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 203 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 15, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 16, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 46, BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 4:05 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 15
SENATE BILL NO. 16
SENATE BILL NO. 46

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty-third day of February 5, 2025 at 4:15 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS,
GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 77
SENATE BILL NO. 146
SENATE BILL NO. 150

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 80
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SENATE BILL NO. 107
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SENATE BILL NO. 109
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SENATE BILL NO. 115
SENATE BILL NO. 125
SENATE BILL NO. 126
SENATE BILL NO. 129
SENATE BILL NO. 182

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED & ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 15
SENATE BILL NO. 16
SENATE BILL NO. 46

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1181
HOUSE BILL NO. 1199
HOUSE BILL NO. 1245

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1128
HOUSE BILL NO. 1153
HOUSE BILL NO. 1225
HOUSE BILL NO. 1226
HOUSE BILL NO. 1227
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1261
HOUSE BILL NO. 1264
HOUSE BILL NO. 1266
HOUSE BILL NO. 1310

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1273

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 10 a.m., Thursday, February 6, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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TWENTY-FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 6, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Boyd requested leave for Senators Hill and Sullivan.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Payton.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

SENATE BILL NO. 204
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE, RAY, ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE INCOME TAX LAWS; TO EXEMPT FROM GROSS INCOME A GAIN BY A TAXPAYER RESULTING FROM THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY UNDER THE RIGHT OF EMINENT DOMAIN OR THE THREAT OF CONDEMNATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 204 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 205
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; TO CLARIFY THAT A STUDENT MAY TRANSFER BETWEEN SCHOOLS WITHIN THE STUDENT'S RESIDENT DISTRICT UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT AND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 205 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 206
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE RIGHT TO READ ACT; TO AMEND THE AMOUNT OF THE LITERACY TUTORING GRANT AWARDED UNDER THE RIGHT TO READ ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 206 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Resolution No. 11 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY ON FEBRUARY 13, 2025, OF THE ROBERT W. JACK VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 1322 IN THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, THE OLDEST VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST IN ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 11 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 50 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 50

As Engrossed: S1/22/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, *J. ENGLISH*

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A LEGISLATIVE STUDY OF WORKFORCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES REFORM; TO REQUIRE THE CONSIDERATION OF ANY LEGISLATIVE CHANGES NECESSARY TO ADDRESS ISSUES IDENTIFIED DURING THE STUDY OF WORKFORCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES REFORM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 50 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 50. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.50 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 59 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 59
As Engrossed: S1/30/25 S2/4/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, C. TUCKER, *J. BOYD, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, J. PAYTON, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE*
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH*, VAUGHT, ET AL.*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT WITH ONE BREAKFAST AT NO COST DURING EACH SCHOOL DAY UPON HIS OR HER REQUEST WITHOUT CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR A FEDERALLY FUNDED FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE *MEAL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 59 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke on the bill.
Senator Dismang closed for the bill.

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 6, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 59

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Hill, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Flippo, Hickey.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 6, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 59

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 59, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Hill, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Sullivan.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Flippo, Hickey.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 59 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 134 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 134
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN BY:
REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO REDUCE THE STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO REDUCE THE STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 134 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 134. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 134 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 136 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 136
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RIGHT TO TRY INDIVIDUALIZED INVESTIGATIONAL TREATMENT ACT; TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR PATIENTS TO TRY INDIVIDUALIZED INVESTIGATIONAL TREATMENTS; TO ENSURE THAT PATIENTS WITH LIFE-THREATENING OR SEVERELY DEBILITATING ILLNESS HAVE ACCESS TO INDIVIDUALIZED INVESTIGATIONAL TREATMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 136 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 136. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.136 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 137 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 137
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PERMIT HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO MAINTAIN MEDICAL RECORDS IN AN ELECTRONIC FORMAT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 137 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 137. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 1

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 137 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1204 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1204
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, ET AL.
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, HESTER, J. BOYD, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, B. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, STONE, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH RECOVERY OF DAMAGES FOR NECESSARY MEDICAL CARE, TREATMENT, OR SERVICES RENDERED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1204 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stubblefield spoke against the bill.
Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Scott spoke against the bill.
Senator Payton spoke against the bill.
Senator Penzo spoke against the bill.
Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator Dismang spoke for the bill.
Senator Bryant spoke against the bill.
Senator Irvin closed for the bill.

Pairs were announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 6, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1204

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 6, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1204

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, SENATOR BRYAN KING

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., McKee, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Flowers, Hickey, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 17

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1204 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Bryant was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Budget Batched Bills

House Bill No. 1128	House Bill No. 1233
House Bill No. 1153	House Bill No. 1234
House Bill No. 1225	House Bill No. 1247
House Bill No. 1226	House Bill No. 1248
House Bill No. 1227	House Bill No. 1249
House Bill No. 1228	House Bill No. 1260
House Bill No. 1229	House Bill No. 1261
House Bill No. 1230	House Bill No. 1264
House Bill No. 1231	House Bill No. 1266

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on the batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1128 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1128
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY 127 OF 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1128 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1128, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

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The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1128 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1153 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1153
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR OPERATING, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - PROMOTION BOARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1153 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1153, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

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The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1153 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1225 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1225
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1225 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1225, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

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The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1225 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1226 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1226
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MOUNTAIN HOME FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1226 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1226, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1226 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1227 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1227
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - PULASKI TECHNICAL COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1227 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1227, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1227 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1228 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1228
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1228 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1228, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

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The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1228 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1229 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1229
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OZARKA COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1229 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1229, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

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The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1229 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1230 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1230
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE NORTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1230 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1230, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1230 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1231 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1231
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE PHILLIPS COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1231 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1231, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1231 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1233 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1233
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1233 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1233, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1233 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1234 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1234
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT HOPE-TEXARKANA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1234 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1234, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1234 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1247 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1247
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES..

House Bill No. 1247 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1247, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1247 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1248 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1248
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MID-SOUTH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1248 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1248, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

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The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1248 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1249 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1249
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE NATIONAL PARK COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1249 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1249, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1249 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1260 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1260
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1260 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1260, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

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The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1260 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1261 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1261
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1261 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1261, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1261 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1264 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1264
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - FORT SMITH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1264 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1264, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1264 was ordered returned to the house as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1266 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1266
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1266 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1266, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause

.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Hill, Sullivan.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1266 was ordered returned to the house as passed

SENATE BILL NO. 207
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO DISCLOSE THAT PETITION FRAUD IS A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 207 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 208
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO VIEW PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BEFORE OBTAINING A SIGNATURE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 208 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 209
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO DISQUALIFY SIGNATURES OBTAINED BY A CANVASSER UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 209 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 210
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER BY:
REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE REQUIRE EXAMINING OF AUTHORITATIVE DOCUMENTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE THE SIGNER TO READ THE BALLOT TITLE OF THE PETITION IN THE PRESENCE OF A CANVASSER; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 210 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 211
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT BEFORE SIGNATURES CAN BE COUNTED; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 211 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 212
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DOCUMENT VALIDITY DIVISION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 212 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 12
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND RETIRED MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ARKANSAS RURAL ENDOWMENT FUND, INC., CHRIS LAMPKIN, FOR HIS HONORABLE SERVICE ON THE BOARD AND FOR HIS APPOINTMENT AS GENERAL MANAGER OF THE ARKANSAS RURAL ENDOWMENT FUND, INC.; AND TO APPROVE AND CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ARKANSAS RURAL ENDOWMENT FUND, INC., OF THE HONORABLE S. REID HARROD, JR.

Senate Resolution No. 12 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 19, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 21, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 24, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 27, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 29, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 30, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 43, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 66, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 190, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 191, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 192, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 193, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 194, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 195, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 196, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 197, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 198, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH BY LAW A REVISED ELECTION PROCESS; REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH BY LAW AN ELECTION PROCESS IN WHICH CANDIDATES AT A PRIMARY ELECTION, SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION, OR ELECTION FOR NONPARTISAN OFFICE APPEAR ON A SINGLE BALLOT REGARDLESS OF POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION AND THE TOP TWO CANDIDATES FOR EACH OFFICE ADVANCE TO THE GENERAL ELECTION OR SPECIAL ELECTION; AND REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH BY LAW A PROCESS BASED ON PARTY AFFILIATION FOR SELECTING DELEGATES TO ATTEND A QUADRENNIAL NATIONAL NOMINATING CONVENTION OF A POLITICAL PARTY TO SELECT A NOMINEE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND A PROCESS FOR CHOOSING AND ELECTING ELECTORS FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH BY LAW A REVISED ELECTION PROCESS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The Arkansas Constitution is amended to add an additional amendment to read as follows:

§ 1. Election process for general elections, special elections, and elections for nonpartisan office.

(a) The General Assembly shall enact laws establishing an election process for general elections, special elections, and elections for nonpartisan office in which:

(1)(A) The names of all persons who have filed as candidates for a primary election, special primary election, or election for nonpartisan office shall be listed on a single ballot, regardless of political party.

(B) The political party affiliation, if any, of each candidate shall appear on the ballot beside the name of each candidate at an election for partisan office.

(C)(i) A candidate who is unaffiliated with a political party shall appear on the primary election ballot or special primary election ballot.

(ii) The word "Independent" shall appear on the ballot beside the name of an unaffiliated candidate;

(2)(A) The two (2) candidates receiving the greatest number of

votes cast for each office at the primary election, special primary election, or election for nonpartisan office shall advance to the general election or special election, regardless of each candidate's political party affiliation, if any.

(B) If only one (1) or two (2) persons file as candidates for an office at a primary election, special primary election, or election for nonpartisan office, the candidate or candidates shall automatically advance to the general election or special election.

(C) The General Assembly may provide by law that if one (1) candidate receives a specified percentage of the vote for an office at a special primary election, only that one (1) candidate shall advance to the special election; and

(3)(A) The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for the office at the general election or special election shall be declared the winner of the general election or special election.

(B)(i) If only one (1) candidate for an office will be listed on the general election ballot or special election ballot, the candidate shall be declared elected, his or her name shall not appear on the general election or special election ballot, and the name of the candidate declared elected shall be certified as elected in the same manner as if the candidate had been voted upon at the general election or special election.

(ii) If subdivision (a)(3)(B)(i) of this section applies, the general election or special election shall not be held if no other office or issue is on the general election ballot or special election ballot.

(b)(1) The election process under subsection (a) of this section shall apply to all elections for:

(A) Federal congressional office;

(B) State office;

(C) County office; and

(D) Nonpartisan office, including without limitation:

(i) A judicial office; and

(ii) The office of prosecuting attorney.

(2) The election process under subsection (a) of this section does not apply to elections for:

(A) Municipal office; and

(B) Local office.

(c)(1) The election process under subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to primary elections and general elections for President of the United States.

(2)(A) The General Assembly shall provide by law for a presidential primary election to select delegates to attend a quadrennial national nominating convention of a political party to select nominees for President of the United States and Vice President of the United States.

(B) Voting at the presidential primary election shall be based on party affiliation.

(3)(A) The General Assembly shall provide by law for a process to choose and elect electors for President of the United States and Vice President of the United States.

(B) The choice and election of electors for President of the United States and Vice President of the United States may appear on the general election ballot.

(d) The General Assembly shall enact all laws necessary to implement this amendment, including without limitation laws concerning:

(1) The process for filing as a candidate for a primary election, special primary election, and election for nonpartisan office, including without limitation the process for filing as an unaffiliated candidate;

(2) Procedures for conducting primary elections, general elections, elections for nonpartisan office, and special elections, including without limitation a process for:

(A) Resolving tie votes; and

(B) Determining when and if candidate vacancies may be filled at primary elections, general elections, elections for nonpartisan office, and special elections;

(3) When primary elections, general elections, elections for nonpartisan office, and special elections shall occur;

(4) The process for filing as a candidate at a presidential primary election;

(5) The date a presidential primary election shall occur;

(6) Procedures for conducting a presidential primary election;

(7) The process for electors for President of the United States and Vice President of the United States to file for inclusion on the ballot;

(8) When the choice and election of electors for President of the United States and Vice President of the United States shall occur;

(9) Procedures for conducting an election to choose and elect electors for President of the United States and Vice President of the United States;

(10) The process for filing as a write-in candidate; and

(11) Other matters deemed necessary by the General Assembly for the implementation of this amendment.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 3, § 13, is repealed.

~~§ 13. Procedures for elections with one candidate.~~

~~(a) As used in this section, "election" means:~~

~~(1) A primary election;~~

~~(2) A special primary election;~~

~~(3) A general election; and~~

~~(4) A special election.~~

~~(b) The General Assembly may enact laws providing that if there is only one (1) person qualified as a candidate for an office after all deadlines for filing as a candidate have passed so that there will be only one (1) name listed on the election ballot for the office and no write-in candidates qualify to appear as candidates for the office on the election ballot:~~

~~(1) The one (1) candidate for the office shall be declared elected and his or her name shall not appear on the election ballot;~~

~~(2) The name of the candidate declared elected shall be certified as elected in the same manner as if the candidate had been voted upon at the election; and~~

~~(3) The election shall not be held if no other office or issue is on the election ballot.~~

SECTION 3. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 29, Section 5, is

amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Election to fill — Placing names on ballots.

Only the names of candidates for office nominated ~~by an organized political party at a convention of delegates, or by a majority of all the votes cast for candidates for the office in a primary election, or by petition of electors~~ as provided by law~~,~~ shall be placed on the ballots in any election.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027, and shall be applicable to elections occurring on and after January 1, 2028.

SECTION 5. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment Requiring the General Assembly to Establish by Law a Revised Election Process; Requiring the General Assembly to Establish by Law an Election Process in which Candidates at a Primary Election, Special Primary Election, or Election for Nonpartisan Office Appear on a Single Ballot Regardless of Political Party Affiliation and the Top Two Candidates Advance to the General Election or Special Election; and Requiring the General Assembly to Establish by Law a Process Based on Party Affiliation for Selecting Delegates to Attend a Quadrennial National Nominating Convention of a Political Party to Select a Nominee for the Office of President of the United States and a Process for Choosing and Electing Electors for President of the United States and Vice President of the United States.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 12 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 213
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PILKINGTON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE HEALTHY MOMS, HEALTHY BABIES ACT; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO IMPROVE MATERNAL HEALTH IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 213 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1048, BY REPRESENTATIVE COOPER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEELE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 12, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 147, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 165, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 166, BY SENTAOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 185, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 6, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on February 6, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 61 - ACT 18
Senate Bill No. 68 - ACT 19
Senate Bill No. 18 - ACT 20
Senate Bill No. 56 - ACT 21
Senate Bill No. 70 - ACT 22
Senate Bill No. 76 - ACT 23

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

Senate Bill No. 3 was returned from the House as passed as amended No. 2.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 3 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 45 was returned from the House as passed as amended No. 1.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1145
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOTEN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PURCHASES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY; TO INCREASE THE PURCHASE AMOUNT AUTHORIZED FOR ADDITIONAL AFTER-MARKET EQUIPMENT FOR A NEW MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASED BY A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1145 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1180

As Engrossed: H1/23/25 H1/30/25 H2/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, ET AL

BY: SENATORS, C. PENZO, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, J. PAYTON, J. PETTY, J. DOTSON, DEES, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE BABY OLIVIA ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1180 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193

As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO INCLUDE A LIENHOLDER ON PAYMENTS MADE UNDER AN INSURANCE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1193 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1196
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1196 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1215
As Engrossed: H2/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A COACH OR ATHLETICS PERSONNEL MEMBER OF THE OPPOSITE SEX TO ADDRESS, SUPERVISE, OR TREAT STUDENT ATHLETES IN A MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY RESTROOM OR CHANGING AREA UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1215 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1221
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVES, REFERENDA, AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1221 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1223
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FORM OF BALLOTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A PREFIX IN AN ELECTION FOR A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE BY AN APPOINTEE TO A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE; TO ALLOW A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OR JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS WHO IS SERVING IN THAT POSITION AS AN APPOINTEE TO USE THE TITLE OF THAT POSITION AS A PREFIX ON THE BALLOT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1223 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1278
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES STEIMEL, ET AL
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING SURVEYORS; TO REQUIRE SURVEYORS TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS BEFORE ENTERING ONTO A COMMERCIAL POULTRY FARM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1278 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY &ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1309
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COVERAGE OF EXAMINATIONS FOR BREAST CANCER; TO CLARIFY THE COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS FOR EXAMINATIONS FOR BREAST CANCER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1309 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1311
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR APPROPRIATED FUNDS OF CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS AND INCORPORATED TOWNS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SYSTEM IN THE VARIOUS CITIES AND TOWNS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1311 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1317
As Engrossed: H2/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT TO INCLUDE FRAUD AGAINST A STATE SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE PENALTY FOR MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS OR FALSIFYING RECORDS IN AN ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD A STATE SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1317 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1318
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AMEND THE EXCURSION TRAIN PERMIT TO INCLUDE EXCURSION BOATS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1318 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1324
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, ET AL
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TIME OF PERMISSIBLE SALES OF FIREWORKS IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1324 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1378
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; TO AMEND THE COMPOSITION OF THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A QUORUM FOR MEETINGS OF THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF A CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER BY THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1378 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Senate Bill No. 13 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 133 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1260
HOUSE BILL NO. 1261
HOUSE BILL NO. 1264
HOUSE BILL NO. 1266

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 10, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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TWENTY-NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 10, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Hester requested leave for Senator Clark. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Mark Johnson.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 98 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 98

Amend Senate Bill No. 98 as engrossed S1/29/25:

Page 1, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"during legal operating hours provided the retail permit holder is open to the public for a minimum of thirty (30) hours per week for retail:"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 6 and 7, and substitute the following:
"(f) The division shall charge an annual fee of five hundred dollars ($500) for a third-party delivery permit to be paid to and retained by the division."

AND

Page 5, line 11, delete "(a) The" and substitute "The"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 20 through 24

AND

Page 5, delete lines 30 through 32, and substitute the following:
"(b) An approved alcohol delivery training program under subsection (a) of this section may be a training program provided by a third party.

(c) The approved training program under subsection (a) of this section shall cover:

(1) Detecting noticeable signs of intoxication;

(2) Identifying valid in-state and out-of-state government issued identification; and

(3) Training on wet territories and dry territories of this state.

(d) A delivery employee or independent contractor of the holder of a third-party delivery permit shall:

(1) Complete an approved training program under subsection (a) of this section before making his or her first delivery; and

(2) Repeat the approved training program at least once every twelve (12) months."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 98 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 87 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 87

Amend Senate Bill No. 87 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 11 through 13, and substitute the following:
"ORDINANCE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF A COUNTY PLANNING BOARD IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING
COUNTY PLANNING; TO CREATE A

PENALTY FOR VIOLATING A SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF A COUNTY PLANNING BOARD IN CERTAIN INSTANCES."

AND

Page 1, line 31, delete "The county planning" and substitute "~~The~~ Except as provided in subdivision (a)(4) of this section, the county planning"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 33 and 34, and substitute the following:
"confirmed by the court."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 2 and 3, and substitute the following:

"(4) A county with a population of two hundred thousand (200,000) or more according to the most recent federal decennial census that contains eight (8) municipalities or less shall select members of the county planning board in the following manner:

(A) Members shall be appointed by the county judge and confirmed by a majority of the members of the county quorum court representing the unincorporated areas of the county; and

(B) Each member of the county planning board shall reside in an unincorporated area of the county."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 87 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 179 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 179

Amend Senate Bill No. 179 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 6

AND

Page 7, line 8, delete "(d)" and substitute "(d)(1)"

AND

Page 7, line 11, delete "(1)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 7, line 13, delete "(2)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 7, line 14, delete "(3)" and substitute "(C)"

AND

Page 7, delete line 15, and substitute the following:

"(D) Admissible in evidence in a private civil action.

(2) Subdivision (d)(1) of this section does not:

(A) Apply to the disclosure of documents, materials, or other information to Arkansas Legislative Audit or to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee as otherwise authorized by law; or

(B) Preclude the subpoena authority under §§ 10-3-411 and 10-4-421."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 179 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 181 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 181

Amend Senate Bill 181 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 11, and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIBRARY LAW; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE LIBRARIAN; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO AMEND THE LIBRARY LAW; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE LIBRARIAN; AND TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM DIRECTORS."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 13-2-204(b), concerning the State Librarian, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(2) of this section, ~~The~~ the State Librarian shall be a person of good professional standing and reputation, holding at least a master's degree from a graduate school of library science accredited by the

American Library Association, and shall have had experience in library administration in academic, public, school, or special libraries.

(2) Work experience in the field of library science may be substituted for a master's degree from a graduate school of library science accredited by the American Library Association if approved by the board.

(3) The requirements under subdivision (b)(2) of this section shall not disqualify the library from receiving state funds.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 13-2-905(c)(2), concerning the regional library directors for regional library systems, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (c)(2)(B) of this section, ~~The~~ the director shall have a master's degree from an accredited American Library Association program.

(B) Work experience in the field of library operations may be substituted for a master's degree from an accredited program in library operations if approved by the regional library system board of trustees employing the director.

(C) The requirements under subdivision (c)(2)(B) of this section shall not disqualify a regional library system from receiving state funds."

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 181 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 90

Amend Senate Bill 90 as engrossed S2/5/25:

Page 1, delete line 27, and substitute the following:

"(f)(1)(A) Prior to the consideration of any business or an executive"

AND

Page 1, delete line 31, and substitute the following:
"13-620.

(B) However, a member of the public shall not provide public comment that prejudices the board of directors concerning a student or personnel matter that is on the agenda for the board of director's consideration of a disciplinary or employment action."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 87, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 90, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 98, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 87 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 98 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 179 BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 181 BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 179 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 181 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 89, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 206, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1199, BY REPRESENTATIVE BARKER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1215, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1236, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR MISS ARKANSAS 2024 CAMILLE CATHEY.

Senate Resolution No. 18 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER BOB R. BROOKS, JR. AND TO RECOGNIZE HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION, TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND TO THE UNITED STATES.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 1 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW A CANDIDATE FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, CIRCUIT JUDGE, OR DISTRICT JUDGE TO DECLARE HIS OR HER PARTY AFFILIATION OR INDEPENDENT STATUS WHEN RUNNING FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE AND HAVE THAT AFFILIATION OR STATUS REFLECTED ON THE BALLOT TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY TO THE VOTERS OF ARKANSAS.

Subtitle
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ALLOW A CANDIDATE FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, CIRCUIT JUDGE, OR DISTRICT JUDGE TO DECLARE HIS OR HER PARTY AFFILIATION OR INDEPENDENT STATUS WHEN RUNNING FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH

HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. INTENT. The purpose of this amendment to the Arkansas Constitution is to ensure transparency to the voters of Arkansas by allowing a candidate for Supreme Court Justice, Court of Appeals Judge, Circuit Judge, or District Judge to declare his or her party affiliation or independent status when running for judicial office and having that affiliation or status reflected on the ballot.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 80, §§ 17 and 18, are amended to read as follows:

§ 17. Election of ~~circuit and district judges~~ Circuit Judges and District Judges.

(A) Circuit Judges and District Judges shall be elected ~~on a nonpartisan basis~~ by a majority of qualified electors voting for such office within the circuit or district which they serve.

(B) Vacancies in these offices shall be filled as provided by this Constitution.

(C) A candidate for Circuit Judge or District Judge may elect to:

(1) Have his or her political party affiliation identified on the ballot; or

(2) Be identified on the ballot as an independent candidate.

§ 18. Election of Supreme Court Justices and Court of Appeals Judges.

(A) Supreme Court Justices and Court of Appeals Judges shall be elected ~~on a nonpartisan basis~~ by a majority of qualified electors voting for such office. Provided, however, the General Assembly may refer the issue of merit selection of members of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals to a vote of the people at any general election. If the voters approve a merit selection system, the General

Assembly shall enact laws to create a judicial nominating commission for the purpose of nominating candidates for merit selection to the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals.

(B) Vacancies in these offices shall be filled by appointment of the Governor, unless the voters provide otherwise in a system of merit selection.

(C) A candidate for Supreme Court Justice or Court of Appeals Judge may elect to:

(1) Have his or her political party affiliation identified on the ballot; or

(2) Be identified on the ballot as an independent candidate.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 4. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to Ensure Transparency in Judicial Elections to the Voters of Arkansas.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE DETERMINATION OF THE TRUE VALUE IN MONEY OF REAL PROPERTY FOR ASSESSMENT PURPOSES.

Subtitle
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE DETERMINATION OF THE TRUE VALUE IN MONEY OF REAL PROPERTY FOR ASSESSMENT PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution concerning the determination of the true value in money of real property for assessment purposes.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 14 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Resolution No. 12 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 12
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND RETIRED MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ARKANSAS RURAL ENDOWMENT FUND, INC., CHRIS LAMPKIN, FOR HIS HONORABLE SERVICE ON THE BOARD AND FOR HIS APPOINTMENT AS GENERAL MANAGER OF THE ARKANSAS RURAL ENDOWMENT FUND, INC.; AND TO APPROVE AND CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ARKANSAS RURAL ENDOWMENT FUND, INC., OF THE HONORABLE S. REID HARROD, JR.

Senate Resolution No. 12 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Resolution No. 17 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR 2024 MISS ARKANSAS' TEEN BELLA CROWE.

Senate Resolution No. 17 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Caldwell, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Resolution No. 18 at this time.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Resolution No. 18 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR MISS ARKANSAS 2024 CAMILLE CATHEY.

Senate Resolution No. 18 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Leding, House Bill No. 1220 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1220

Amend House Bill 1220 as originally introduced:

Add Senator G. Leding

(SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1220 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 147 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 147

As Engrossed: S2/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND *SHARED SERVICES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 147. Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 147 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Stubblefield.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 147, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Stubblefield.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 147 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 165 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 165
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 165 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang, Gilmore, Johnson, B., King, McKee, Stubblefield.

Total 6

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 28
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.165 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 166 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 166
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EMERGENCY PROCUREMENTS; TO INCLUDE A STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY IN THE DEFINITION OF "CRITICAL EMERGENCY" FOR PURPOSES OF AN EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 166 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Payton, Petty, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 17

NEGATIVE: Hickey, Stubblefield.
Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dismang, Gilmore, Hammer, Johnson, B., King, Leding, C. Penzo, Rice, Sullivan.
Total 10

EXCUSED: Clark.
Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love, McKee, Murdock, Scott.
Total 5

Total number of votes cast 24
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 166 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on February 10, 2025.

Senator Dotson moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 166 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 185 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 185
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 185 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Stubblefield.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang, Gilmore, Johnson, B., King, McKee, Rice, Sullivan.

Total 7

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....27

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.185 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

Senator Bryant was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on the following batched bills. Motion carried.

SENATE BILL NO. 19
SENATE BILL NO. 21
SENATE BILL NO. 24
SENATE BILL NO. 27
SENATE BILL NO. 29
SENATE BILL NO. 30
SENATE BILL NO. 43
SENATE BILL NO. 66
SENATE BILL NO. 190
SENATE BILL NO. 191
SENATE BILL NO. 192
SENATE BILL NO. 193
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SENATE BILL NO. 195
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On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 19 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 19
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS BOARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 19 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 19, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 19 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 21 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 21

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - POST-PRISON TRANSFER BOARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 21 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 21, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 21 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 24 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 24

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 24 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 24, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 24 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 27 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 27

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - ARKANSAS MINORITY HEALTH COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 27 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 27, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 27 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 29 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 29

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - ARKANSAS MINORITY HEALTH COMMISSION FOR THE MINORITY HEALTH INITIATIVE OF THE TARGETED STATE NEEDS PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 29 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 29, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 29 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 30 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 30

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING EXPENSES AND GRANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MONITORING AND EVALUATING PROGRAM EXPENDITURES FROM THE PROGRAM ACCOUNTS OF THE TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROGRAM FUND FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - ARKANSAS TOBACCO SETTLEMENT COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 30 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 30, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 30 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 43 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 43

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DIVISION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 43 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 43, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 43 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 66 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 66

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 66 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 66, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 66 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 190 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 190

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 190 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 190, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 190 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 191 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 191
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 191 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 191, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 191 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 192 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 192

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 192 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 192, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 192 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 193 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 193

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES - BUILDING AUTHORITY DIVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 193 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 193, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 193 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 194 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 194

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 194 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 194, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 194 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 195 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 195

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 195 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 195, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 195 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 196 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 196

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 196 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 196, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 196 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 197 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 197

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Senate Bill No. 197 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 197, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 197 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 198 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 198

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 198 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 198, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 198 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEELE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE RAZORBACKS WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2024.

Senate Resolution No. 19 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 58 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 182 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 13, BY SENATE DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 58, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 133, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 182, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 2:34 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 13
SENATE BILL NO. 133
SENATE BILL NO. 58
SENATE BILL NO. 182

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this tenth day of February, 2025 at 2:35 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 80 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 105 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 107 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 108 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 109 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 112 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 113 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 114 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 115 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 126 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 129 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 168, BY SENATOR TERRY RICE,
SENATE BILL NO. 178, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 187, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 213, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1214, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1310, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1138, BY REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 214
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD SECOND DEGREE MURDER TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES THAT ARE INELIGIBLE FOR MERITORIOUS FURLOUGH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 214 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1049
As Engrossed: H2/4/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOSH, ET AL.
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL OFFENSES; TO CRIMINALIZE UNLAWFUL SQUATTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1049 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1088
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1088 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1093
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - HEALTH SERVICES PERMIT AGENCY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1093 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1098
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION DISABILITY DETERMINATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1098 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1120
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1120 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1123
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1123 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1201
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1201 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1222
As Engrossed: H2/6/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO REVIEW BALLOT TITLES FOR CONFLICTS WITH THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND FEDERAL STATUTES; TO PROHIBIT THE SUBMISSION OF CONFLICTING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1222 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1259
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AND THE DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1259 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1262
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1262 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1263
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNGER, LUNDSTRUM
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF UNLAWFUL REMOVAL OR FAILURE TO CHARGE AN ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1263 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1267
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES - DONALD W. REYNOLDS CENTER ON AGING, FAY W. BOOZMAN COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH, ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE, AND THE AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER IN HELENA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1267 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279

As Engrossed: H2/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LYNCH

BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS EGG MARKETING ACT OF 1969; TO AUTHORIZE REPACKAGING OF EGGS BY A RETAILER IF CERTAIN CRITERIA IS MET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1279 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1282

As Engrossed: H2/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, L. JOHNSON, HUDSON, MADDOX

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1282 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1353
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, ET AL.
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, J. BOYD, CALDWELL, J. ENGLISH, IRVIN, M. JOHNSONI, RICE, J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE A VISION BENEFIT MANAGER; TO AMEND THE VISION CARE PLAN ACT OF 2015; TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1353 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1383
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND ACT; TO MODIFY THE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENT FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1383 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1387
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC WATER AUTHORITY TO PUBLISH THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION UNDER THE WATER AUTHORITY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1387 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1392
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1392 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1393
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1393 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1394
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF HERITAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1394 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1395
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - STATE PARKS AND TOURISM DIVISIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1395 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1396
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1396 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1397
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1397 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1406
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1406 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 165
SENATE BILL NO. 185

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE AS PASSED
EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 19
SENATE BILL NO. 21
SENATE BILL NO. 24
SENATE BILL NO. 27
SENATE BILL NO. 29
SENATE BILL NO. 30
SENATE BILL NO. 43
SENATE BILL NO. 66
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SENATE BILL NO. 190
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SENATE BILL NO. 198

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED
SENATE BILL NO. 58

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND
ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 80
SENATE BILL NO. 105
SENATE BILL NO. 107
SENATE BILL NO. 108
SENATE BILL NO. 109
SENATE BILL NO. 112
SENATE BILL NO. 113
SENATE BILL NO. 114
SENATE BILL NO. 115
SENATE BILL NO. 126
SENATE BILL NO. 129
SENATE BILL NO. 182

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1049
HOUSE BILL NO. 1222
HOUSE BILL NO. 1263
HOUSE BILL NO. 1279
HOUSE BILL NO. 1282
HOUSE BILL NO. 1353
HOUSE BILL NO. 1383
HOUSE BILL NO. 1387

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE

AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1088
HOUSE BILL NO. 1093
HOUSE BILL NO. 1098
HOUSE BILL NO. 1120
HOUSE BILL NO. 1123
HOUSE BILL NO. 1201
HOUSE BILL NO. 1259
HOUSE BILL NO. 1262
HOUSE BILL NO. 1267
HOUSE BILL NO. 1392
HOUSE BILL NO. 1393
HOUSE BILL NO. 1394
HOUSE BILL NO. 1395
HOUSE BILL NO. 1396
HOUSE BILL NO. 1397
HOUSE BILL NO. 1406

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., February 11, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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THIRTIETH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 11, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Payton requested leave for Senator Clark. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Phillip L. Pointer, Sr.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 135

Amend Senate Bill No.135 as engrossed S2/4/25:

Add Representative Crawford

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 135 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1071 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1071

Amend House Bill No.1071 as originally introduced:

Immediately following SECTION 4, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 4-75-1112 is amended to read as follows:

4-75-1112. Construction.

~~(a)~~ This subchapter:

(1) Shall be liberally construed to accomplish its intent and purposes; and

(2) Does not render invalid or unenforceable a contract or license entered into before or after August 22, 2016, by an individual during his or her lifetime by which the individual transferred, assigned, or licensed all or part of the right to use his or her name, voice, signature, photograph, or likeness.

~~(b) The property rights granted by this subchapter are not considered intellectual property for purposes of 47 U.S.C. § 230.~~"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1071 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1183 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1183

Amend House Bill No. 1183 as engrossed H1/29/25:

Page 3, line 17, delete “issue a certificate” and substitute “register”

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete “certificate” and substitute “registration”

AND

Page 3, delete line 20 and substitute the following:

"(2) The board may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew a registration of a dialysis patient care technician for:

(A) Securing a registration under this subchapter through fraud or deceit;

(B) Unprofessional conduct, unethical conduct, gross ignorance, or inefficiency in the conduct of his or her practice;

(C) Using a false name or an alias in his or her practice;

(D) Violating any provision of this subchapter; or

(E) Failing to comply with any of the requirements for registration.

(3) Proceedings under this section shall be conducted in"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 1183 was ordered engrossed.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 11, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President Pro Tempore:

This is to inform you that on February 10, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measure from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 182 - ACT 24

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 80, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 105, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 107, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 108, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 109, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 112, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 113, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 114, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 115, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 126, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 129, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:22 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 80
SENATE BILL NO. 105
SENATE BILL NO. 107
SENATE BILL NO. 108
SENATE BILL NO. 109
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SENATE BILL NO. 115
SENATE BILL NO. 126
SENATE BILL NO.129

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this eleventh day of February 2025 at 9:50 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 135, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071, BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHARDSON,
BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1183, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1071 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1183 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 203, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1278, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 98, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1067, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1311, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1318, BY REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1324, BY REPRESENTATIVE DUFFIELD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1075, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1145, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOTEN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 186, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1205, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 207, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 208, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 209, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 210, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 211, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 3, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 215
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMISSIBLE USES FOR REAL ESTATE DONATED BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 215 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 216
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 216 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE MAUMELLE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FALCONS BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2024 CLASS 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Senate Resolution No. 20 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 21
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE MAUMELLE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FALCONS BOYS' GOLF TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2024 CLASS 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Senate Resolution No. 21 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 22
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED®, FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY AND TO DESIGNATE FEBRUARY 25, 2025, AS ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 22 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Irvin Senate Resolution No. 16 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY AS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH.

Senate Resolution No. 16 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1199 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1199

Amend House Bill No. 1199 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. Bryant

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1199 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1215 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1215

Amend House Bill No.1215 as engrossed H2/5/25:

Add Senator J. Bryant

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1215 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 45 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 45

Amend Senate Bill No. 45 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Painter as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 45, adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second, and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Wallace, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 45 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 45

As Engrossed: H2/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT WOMEN VETERANS; TO REPEAL THE PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 45 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 45. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 45 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 89 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 89

As Engrossed: S1/27/25 S2/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO AMEND THE INFORMATION THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL PROVIDE ELECTRONICALLY WITH RESPECT TO ITS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 89 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 89.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.89 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 166 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 166
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EMERGENCY PROCUREMENTS; TO INCLUDE A STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY IN THE DEFINITION OF "CRITICAL EMERGENCY" FOR PURPOSES OF AN EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 166 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 166. Motion carried.

Senator Bryant spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.166 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 206 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 206

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE RIGHT TO READ ACT; TO AMEND THE AMOUNT OF THE LITERACY TUTORING GRANT AWARDED UNDER THE RIGHT TO READ ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 206 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 206. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.206 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Memorial Resolution No. 1 was called up for third reading

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 1
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER BOB R. BROOKS, JR. AND TO RECOGNIZE HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION, TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND TO THE UNITED STATES.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 1 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Leding, House Bill No. 1220 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220
As Engrossed: S2/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEELE
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING NATURAL RESOURCES; TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1220 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1220. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1220 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1236 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1236

As Engrossed: H2/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE TO BE RELEASED FROM HIS OR HER CONTRACT BY A CERTAIN DATE UPON HIS OR HER WRITTEN REQUEST; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1236 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1236. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1236, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1236 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Budget Batched Bills

House Bill No. 1088	House Bill No. 1267
House Bill No. 1093	House Bill No. 1392
House Bill No. 1098	House Bill No. 1393
House Bill No. 1120	House Bill No. 1394
House Bill No. 1123	House Bill No. 1395
House Bill No. 1201	House Bill No. 1396
House bill No. 1259	House Bill No. 1397
House Bill No. 1262	House Bill No. 1406

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1088 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1088
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1088 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1088, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1088 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1093 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1093

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - HEALTH SERVICES PERMIT AGENCY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1093 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1093, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1093 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1098 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1098

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION DISABILITY DETERMINATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1098 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1098, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1098 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1120 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1120

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1120 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1120, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1120 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1123 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1123

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1123 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1123, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1123 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1201 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1201 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1201, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1201 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1259 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1259

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AND THE DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1259 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1259, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1259 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1262 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1262

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1262 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1262, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1262 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1267 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1267

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES - DONALD W. REYNOLDS CENTER ON AGING, FAY W. BOOZMAN COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH, ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE, AND THE AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER IN HELENA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1267 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1267, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1267 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1392 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1392
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1392 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1392, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1392 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1393 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1393
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1393 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1393 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1393 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1394 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1394

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF HERITAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1394 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1394 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1394 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1395 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1395

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - STATE PARKS AND TOURISM DIVISIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1395 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1395 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1395 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1396 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1396

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1396 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1396 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1396 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1397 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1397

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1397 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1397 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1397 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1406 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1406

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1406 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1406 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1406 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 217

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REQUEST A WAIVER TO EXCLUDE CANDY AND SOFT DRINKS FROM ELIGIBLE FOODS UNDER THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 217 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1199, REPRESENTATIVE BARKER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1215, REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

Senate Bill No. 19 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 21 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 24 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 27 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 29 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 30 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 43 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 66 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 190 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 191 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 192 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 193 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 194 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 195 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 196 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 197 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 198 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS WITHIN CITIES, COUNTIES, OR COOPERATIVE AREAS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Loans and grants of public money. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Arkansas Constitution, the General Assembly may provide for the creation of programs and the making of loans and grants of public money for the public purposes of:

(1) Development and diversification of the economy of the State of Arkansas;

(2) The elimination and prevention of unemployment or underemployment in the State of Arkansas;

(3) The development or expansion of transportation or commerce in the State of Arkansas; or

(4) The development or improvement of real estate in the State of Arkansas that contributes to economic development within the State of Arkansas.

(b) The authority under subsection (a) of this section includes without limitation providing for the creation of economic development districts.

SECTION 2. Economic development district projects.

(a) An economic development district may issue bonds for the purpose of financing projects within the economic development district.

(b) The bonds under subsection (a) of this section:

(1) May be secured by and be payable from all or a portion of any funds received by or allocated to the economic development district;

(2) Shall not be considered in calculating debt limits for bonds issued under Arkansas Constitution, Article 12, § 4; and

(3) Shall not be subject to the provisions of:

(A) Arkansas Constitution, Article 16, § 1;

(B) Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 62; or

(C) Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 65.

SECTION 3. Implementation. The General Assembly shall provide by law for the implementation of this amendment.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Constitution, Article 2, § 23, is amended to read as follows:

§ 23. Eminent domain and taxation.

The State's ancient right of eminent domain and of taxation, is herein fully and expressly conceded; and the General Assembly may delegate the taxing power, with the necessary restriction, to the State's subordinate political and municipal corporations, to the extent of providing for their existence, economic development, maintenance, and well being, but no further.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Constitution, Article 12, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Political subdivisions not to become stockholders in or lend credit to private corporations — Exceptions.

(a) No county, city, town or other municipal corporation, shall become a stockholder in any company, association, or corporation; or obtain or appropriate money for, or loan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution, or individual.

(b) However, a county, city, town, or other municipal corporation may obtain or appropriate money for a corporation, association, institution, or individual to:

(1) Finance economic development projects; ~~or~~

(2) Provide economic development services; or

(3) Provide funding or lend credit to an economic development district.

(c) As used in this section:

(1) "Economic development district" means a designated area within a city, county, or cooperative area established under authority granted by the General Assembly to promote economic development within the designated area;

~~(1)~~(2) "Economic development projects" means the land, buildings, furnishings, equipment, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that are required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:

(A) Manufacturing, production, and industrial facilities;

(B) Research, technology, and development facilities;

(C) Recycling facilities;

(D) Distribution centers;

(E) Call centers;

(F) Warehouse facilities;

(G) Job training facilities;

(H) Regional or national corporate headquarters facilities; ~~and~~

(I) Sports complexes designed to host local, state, regional, and national competitions, including without limitation baseball, softball, and other sports tournaments; and

(J) An economic development district as authorized by the General Assembly and designated as part of an economic development plan;

~~(2)~~(3) "Economic development services" means:

(A) Planning, marketing, and strategic advice and counsel regarding job recruitment, job development, job retention, and job expansion;

(B) Supervision and operation of industrial parks or other such properties; and

(C) Negotiation of contracts for the sale or lease of industrial parks or other such properties; and

~~(3)~~(4) "Infrastructure" means:

(A) Land acquisition;

(B) Site preparation;

(C) Road and highway improvements;

(D) Rail spur, railroad, and railport construction;

(E) Water service;

(F) Wastewater treatment;

(G) Employee training which may include equipment for such purpose; ~~and~~

(H) Environmental mitigation or reclamation; and

(I) Utilities, including without limitation power generation, transmission, and distribution.

(d) The General Assembly, by a three-fourths vote of each

house, may amend the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section so long as the amendments are germane to this section and consistent with its policy and purposes.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Constitution, Article 16, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Property taxed according to value — Procedures for valuation — Tax exemptions.

(a) All real and tangible personal property subject to taxation shall be taxed according to its value, that value to be ascertained in such manner as the General Assembly shall direct, making the same equal and uniform throughout the State. No one species of property for which a tax may be collected shall be taxed higher than another species of property of equal value, except as provided and authorized in Section 15 of this Article, and except as authorized in Section 14 of this Article. The General Assembly, upon the approval thereof by a vote of not less than three-fourths (¾ths) of the members elected to each house, may establish the methods and procedures for valuation of property for taxation purposes, but may not alter the method of valuation set forth in Section 15 of this Article.

(b)(1) The following property shall be exempt from taxation: public property used exclusively for public purposes; churches used as such; cemeteries used exclusively as such; school buildings and apparatus; libraries and grounds used exclusively for school purposes; and buildings and grounds and materials used exclusively for public charity.

(2) If property exempt from taxation under subdivision (b)(1) of this section is included in an economic development district, the tax status of the property shall not change.

(c) Property located within an economic development district created by the General Assembly shall be exempt from taxation except for taxes, assessments, or other charges levied by the economic development district of which the property is a part.

(d) Nothing in this Section shall affect or repeal the provision of Amendment 57 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas pertaining to intangible personal property.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 62, § 6, is amended to read as follows:

§ 6. Conduct of elections.

(a) The General Assembly may enact laws governing the conduct of elections authorized by this Amendment. Absent the enactment of such laws, such elections shall be held, called and conducted in accordance with the laws governing elections generally. The results of such election shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or municipality (as the case may be) and any contest of such election or the tabulation of the votes therein shall be brought within thirty (30) days after such publication or shall be forever barred.

(b)(1) Any bonds or other obligations of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision facilitating the development and diversification of the economy of the state that are issued for the purpose of making loans or grants in connection with a program authorized by the General Assembly under this amendment and that are payable from ad valorem taxes shall be approved by a vote of the majority of the qualified electors of the county, municipality, or political subdivision voting on the issue.

(2) A program created or a loan or grant made by an economic development district that is secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes of the economic development district does not constitute or create a debt for the purpose of any provision of this Constitution.

SECTION 8. Repealer — Construction.

(a) Any provision of this Constitution, including without limitation amendments to this Constitution, that conflicts with or is in any way inconsistent with this amendment is repealed or deemed modified to give precedence to this amendment.

(b) This amendment supersedes all previous constitutional provisions, amendments, laws, or judicial interpretations that conflict with this amendment's terms.

(c) If this amendment conflicts with any existing constitutional provision, amendment, law, or judicial interpretation, this amendment shall prevail and be given full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Severability. The provisions of this amendment are severable, and if any provision of this amendment should be held invalid, the remainder shall stand.

SECTION 10. Effective date. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution shall be effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 11. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment Concerning Economic Development in the State of Arkansas; and Authorizing the General Assembly to Provide for the Creation of Economic Development Districts Within Cities, Counties, or Cooperative Areas to Promote Economic Development Within the Economic Development District.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1060

As Engrossed: H1/15/25, H1/28/25/, H2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT, RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO REVISE THE INSTRUCTION PROVIDED ON THE FAILURE OF COMMUNIST AND AUTOCRATIC SYSTEMS AND TO REINFORCE IN REQUIRED INSTRUCTION THE RESILIENCY OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL REPUBLIC SYSTEM ADOPTED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1060 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1189

As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/5/25 H2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND NOVICE TEACHER MENTORING REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1189 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1287

As Engrossed: H2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO DEFINE "DOWNCODE" UNDER THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING ENTITIES OF DOWNCODING CERTAIN HEALTHCARE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1287 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1390
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING, ADULT, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1390 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1391
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1391 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 19, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 21, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 24, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 27, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
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SENATE BILL NO. 43, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 45, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
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SENATE BILL NO. 194, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 195, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 196, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 197, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 198, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:46 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

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RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this eleventh day of February, 2025 at 3:59 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., February 12, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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THIRTY-FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 12, 2025

The was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, CALDWELL, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Hill requested leave for Senators Clark, Petty, Bryant. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Stone.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 49 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 49

Amend Senate Bill No. 49 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 14, delete “AND MOTORBOATS” and substitute “AND MOTORBOATS, AS AFFIRMED BY REFERRED ACT 19 OF 1958”

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF SALES AND USE TAX ON MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, SEMITRAILERS, AND MOTORBOATS, AS AFFIRMED BY REFERRED ACT 19 OF 1958; AND TO SUBJECT CERTAIN USED MOTORBOATS TO A SPECIAL RATE OF TAX."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 49 was ordered engrossed.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 12, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam President:

This is to inform you that on February 12, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 46 - ACT 25
Senate Bill No. 15 - ACT 26
Senate Bill No. 16 - ACT 27

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Governor

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 49, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 49 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 90, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 135, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 170, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 171, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 172, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 173, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 174, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 175, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 176, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 177, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 214, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1263, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNGER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1282, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1317, BY REPRESENTATIVE SHEPHERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1049, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1 as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 180, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 17, BY SENATOR FRED LOVE

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1074, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 218
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 218 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 219
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE SUNSET PROVISION OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA SPECIAL PRIVILEGE TAX ACT OF 2017; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 219 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCNAIR

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO EXEMPT CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FROM PROPERTY TAX; AND TO CREATE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO EXEMPT CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FROM PROPERTY TAX; AND TO CREATE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution to exempt certain real property from property tax and to create property tax exemptions for certain individuals.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 16 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE THE "ARKANSAS TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS"; AND TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE COLLECTION AND EXPENDITURE OF STATE REVENUE.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE THE "ARKANSAS TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS".

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The Arkansas Constitution is amended to add an additional amendment to read as follows:

§ 1. Title.

This amendment shall be known and may be cited as the "Arkansas Taxpayer Bill of Rights".

§ 2. Budgeting.

(a) When enacting a budget for the state's fiscal year, the General Assembly shall utilize a process that prohibits deficit spending of general revenues by ensuring that the expenditure of general revenues in a fiscal year does not exceed the amount of general revenues collected by the State of Arkansas.

(b) Subsection (a) of this section does not prohibit the General Assembly from budgeting for a fiscal year based on the state's expected collection of general revenues and subsequently adjusting budgeting priorities based upon actual collections of general revenue to ensure that deficit spending does not occur.

§ 3. Increase of state taxes and fees.

(a) For any fiscal year that commences on or after July 1, 2027, a three-fourths (3/4) vote of each house of the General Assembly shall be required for legislation that is:

(1) Establishing a new tax or a new fee;

(2) Increasing the rate of a tax or fee;

(3) Extending an expiring tax or fee; or

(4) An amendment to the law directly causing a gain to the state in net tax revenue or net fee revenue.

(b)(1) The General Assembly may submit a proposal under subdivisions

(a)(1)-(4) for the approval of qualified electors voting upon the matter at a general election.

(2) A proposal submitted under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall become law if approved by three-fourths (3/4) of the qualified electors voting upon the matter.

§ 4. Increase in general revenue expenditures.

(a) A budget prepared by the General Assembly for the state's fiscal year shall provide that the increase in expenditures of net general revenue available for distribution is no greater than two percent (2%) as compared to the expenditures of net general revenue available for distribution in the preceding fiscal year.

(b) The limitation under subsection (a) of this section does not apply to one-time expenditures for the settlement of claims against the state or a state entity.

§ 5. Transfer to Catastrophic Reserve Fund.

(a) As used in this section, "emergency" means an extraordinary event or occurrence that:

(1) Could not have been reasonably foreseen or prevented; and

(2) Requires immediate expenditure to preserve the health, safety, and general welfare of the people of Arkansas.

(b)(1) For any state fiscal year that commences on or after July 1, 2027, before making any transfers to the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund or any refunds as required by § 6 of this amendment, the Treasurer of State shall transfer revenues in excess of the limitation on the increase in expenditures of net general revenue available for distribution under § 4 of this amendment to the Catastrophic Reserve Fund or its successor fund to the extent necessary to ensure that the balance of the Catastrophic Reserve Fund at the end of the fiscal year is an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the previous fiscal year’s expenditures of net general revenue.

(2) The Treasurer of State shall not be required to transfer any moneys to the Catastrophic Reserve Fund other than the moneys required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

(3) The Catastrophic Reserve Fund shall be in addition to, and

shall not be used to meet, any other reserve requirement of this constitution or Arkansas law.

(c)(1) Moneys in the Catastrophic Reserve Fund may be expended only for an emergency.

(2)(A) An expenditure from the Catastrophic Reserve Fund may occur upon a three-fourths (3/4) vote of a quorum present of each house of the General Assembly in a regular, fiscal, or extraordinary session.

(B) Approval of an expenditure under subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section may include an appropriation for the expenditure of funds.

(3) Interest or other income earned on the Catastrophic Reserve Fund shall accrue to the Catastrophic Reserve Fund.

§ 6. Transfer to Budget Stabilization Trust Fund.

(a) For any state fiscal year that commences on or after July 1, 2027, if net general revenue of the state exceeds the limitation on the increase in expenditures of net general revenue available for distribution under § 4 of this amendment, for that fiscal year the excess shall be utilized or refunded as provided in this section.

(b) The Treasurer of State shall first transfer the excess to the Catastrophic Reserve Fund as necessary under § 5 of this amendment.

(c)(1) The Treasurer of State shall transfer all additional excess revenues to the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund or its successor fund to the extent necessary to ensure that the balance of the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund at the end of the fiscal year is an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the previous fiscal year's expenditures of net general revenue.

(2) The Budget Stabilization Trust Fund may exceed the balance under subdivision (c)(1) of this section but shall not fall below that balance.

(3) Interest or other income earned on the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund shall accrue to the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund.

(d) For any state fiscal year that commences on or after July 1, 2027, if the amount of net general revenue is less than the amount of net general revenue for the prior fiscal year, the Treasurer of State shall transfer money from the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund to the General Revenue Fund Account of the State Apportionment Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of net

general revenues for the prior fiscal year and the amount of net general revenues for the fiscal year.

(e)(1) The Budget Stabilization Trust Fund may consist of other funds as provided by law.

(2) The General Assembly may provide by law for additional uses of the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund.

(f) Any moneys that remain after the Treasurer of State has made the transfers required by this section or by law shall be reserved in the current fiscal year and refunded during the next fiscal year through temporary reductions of income tax rates and sales and use tax rates.

§ 7. Laws necessary to implement amendment.

The General Assembly may enact laws necessary to implement this amendment, including without limitation laws concerning temporary reductions of income tax rates and sales and use tax rates authorized under § 6 of this amendment.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 38, is repealed.

~~§ 38. Taxes — Increase — Approval by electors.~~

~~§ 2. None of the rates for property, excise, privilege or personal taxes, now levied shall be increased by the General Assembly except after the approval of the qualified electors voting thereon at an election, or in case of emergency, by the votes of three-fourths of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly.~~

SECTION 3. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Majority", is amended to read as follows:

Majority. Any measure submitted to the people as herein provided shall take effect and become a law when approved by a majority of the votes cast upon such measure, and not otherwise, and shall not be required to receive a majority of the electors voting at such election. Such measures shall be operative on and after the thirtieth day after the election at which it is approved, unless otherwise specified in the Act.

This section shall not be construed to deprive any member of the General Assembly of the right to introduce any measure~~,~~. ~~but~~ Except as otherwise

provided in this constitution, no measure shall be submitted to the people by the General Assembly~~, except a proposed constitutional amendment or amendments as provided for in this Constitution~~.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 5. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to Create the "Arkansas Taxpayer Bill of Rights"; and to Amend the Arkansas Constitution Concerning the Collection and Expenditure of State Revenue.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 17 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE "THE CITIZENS ONLY VOTING AMENDMENT"; TO PROVIDE THAT ONLY A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES MEETING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION MAY VOTE IN AN ELECTION IN THIS STATE; AND PROVIDING THAT A PERSON WHO DOES NOT MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED TO VOTE IN ANY STATE OR LOCAL ELECTION HELD IN THIS STATE.

Subtitle

THE CITIZENS ONLY VOTING AMENDMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Short title. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution shall be known and may be cited as "The Citizens Only Voting Amendment."

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 3, § 1, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1. Qualifications of electors.

(a)(1) Only a citizen of the United States meeting the qualifications of an elector under this section may vote in an election in this state.

(2) A person who does not meet the qualifications of an elector under this section shall not be permitted to vote in any state or local election held in this state.

~~(a)~~(b) Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, ~~any person may vote in an election in this state who~~ to vote in an election in this state a person shall be:

(1) A citizen of the United States;

(2) A resident of the State of Arkansas;

(3) At least eighteen (18) years of age; and

(4) Lawfully registered to vote in the election.

~~(b)(1)~~(c)(1) In addition to the qualifications under subsection ~~(a)~~(b) of

this section, the General Assembly shall provide by law that a voter shall:

(A) Present valid photographic identification before receiving a ballot to vote in person; and

(B) Enclose a copy of valid photographic identification with his or her ballot when voting by absentee ballot.

(2) The General Assembly shall establish by law the types of photographic identification that a person may present to comply with subdivision ~~(b)(1)~~(c)(1) of this section.

~~(c)~~(d) The State of Arkansas shall issue photographic identification at no charge to an eligible voter who does not have a form of photographic identification meeting the requirements of the law enacted by the General Assembly under this section.

~~(d)(1)(A)~~(e)(1)(A) A voter unable to present valid photographic identification when voting in person shall be permitted to vote a provisional ballot.

(B) An absentee ballot that is not accompanied by a copy of valid photographic identification shall be considered a provisional ballot.

(2) A provisional ballot under subdivision ~~(d)(1)~~(e)(1) of this section shall be counted only if the voter subsequently certifies the provisional ballot in a manner provided by law.

~~(e)(1)~~(f)(1) The General Assembly shall implement the provisions of this amendment by law.

(2) The General Assembly may provide by law for exceptions to the requirement that a voter:

(A) Present valid photographic identification before receiving a ballot to vote in person; and

(B) Enclose a copy of valid photographic identification with his or her ballot when voting by absentee ballot.

~~(f)~~(g) A voter meeting the requirements of this section also shall comply with all additional laws regulating elections necessary for his or her vote to be counted.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 4. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to be Known as "The Citizens Only Voting Amendment" and Providing That Only a Citizen of the United States Meeting the Qualifications of an Elector Under the Arkansas Constitution May Vote in an Election in this State.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 18 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO EXEMPT FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS FROM THE EXCISE TAX LEVIED UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 75.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO EXEMPT FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS FROM THE EXCISE TAX LEVIED UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 75.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution to exempt food and food ingredients from the excise tax levied under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 75.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 19 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 23
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS CROWELL, STONE, CALDWELL, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, A. CLARK, D. WALLACE, C. TUCKER, B. DAVIS, D. SULLIVAN, DEES, G. STUBBLEFIELD, J. DISMANG, J. SCOTT, J. DOTSON, RICE, J. ENGLISH, J. PETTY , FLIPPO, C. PENZO, S. FLOWERS, J. PAYTON, GILMORE, R. MURDOCK, K. HAMMER, M. MCKEE, HESTER, F. LOVE, HICKEY, G. LEDGING, HILL, B. KING, IRVIN, M. JOHNSON, B. JOHNSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 15-22, 2025, AS NATIONAL FFA WEEK.

Senate Resolution No. 23 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Resolution No. 13 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS HAMMER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE BRYANT HORNETS FOOTBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 7A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 13 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer the Senate recessed until 1:50 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 3 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 2 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 3

Amend Senate Bill No. 3 as engrossed S1/21/25:

Page 12, delete lines 7 and 8

AND

Page 12, line 9, delete "(f)(1)" and substitute "(e)(1)"

AND

Page 12, delete lines 14 through 16, and substitute the following:

"that a violation occurred, the court shall:

(A) Award:

(i) Injunctive relief; and

(ii) Court costs and attorney's fees, if the court may award court costs and attorney's fees against the defendant; and

(B) If the court may not award court costs and attorney's fees against the defendant, order the Arkansas State Claims Commission to award court costs and attorney's fees."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 3 was adopted by the House, was read 1st, rules suspended, read 3rd time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Sullivan, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 3 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 3

As Engrossed: S1/21/25 H2/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION OR PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND OTHER PUBLIC ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 3 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....30
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 3 was ordered enrolled

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 203 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1to SENATE BILL NO. 203

Amend Senate Bill No. 203 as originally introduced:

Page 6, line 17, delete “tramway;” and substitute “tramway; or”

AND

Page 6, line 20, delete “and”

AND

Page 6, line 23, delete “tramway; or” and substitute “tramway; and”

AND

Page 6, line 24, delete “(3) Has” and substitute “(C) Have”

AND

Page 9, line 22, delete “recreation operator” and substitute “recreation operator for negligence”

AND

Page 10, line 14, delete “licensee,”

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 203 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1145 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1145

Amend House Bill No. 1145 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Hill

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1145 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 98 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 98

As Engrossed: S1/29/25 S2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AUTHORIZE THE THIRD-PARTY DELIVERY OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM CERTAIN RETAILERS; TO CREATE A THIRD-PARTY DELIVERY PERMIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 98 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Gilmore, Payton, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, King, Rice.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Hammer, Love, Murdock.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 98 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Rice, Senate Bill No. 168 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 168
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR RICE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE EXAMINATION FOR LICENSURE OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 168 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 168. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 27

NEGATIVE: Dees, Dotson, Flowers, Leding, C. Penzo.
Total 5
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:
Total 0
EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.
Total 3
VOTING PRESENT:
Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 168, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Dees, Dotson, Flowers, Leding, C. Penzo.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 168 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 178 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 178
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTHCARE DECISIONS ACT; TO CLARIFY THE ABILITY OF A SURROGATE TO OBTAIN RECORDS ON A PRINCIPAL'S INCOME, ASSETS, AND BANKING AND FINANCIAL RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 178 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 178. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 178 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Resolution No. 19 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE RAZORBACKS WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2024.

Senate Resolution No. 19 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 187 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 187
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMPOSITION OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID DRUG UTILIZATION REVIEW BOARD TO INCLUDE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 187 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 187. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 187 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 207 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 207
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO DISCLOSE THAT PETITION FRAUD IS A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 207 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Scott spoke against the bill.
Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 12, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 207

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) ALAN CLARK

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) CLARKE TUCKER

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 207, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 207 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 208 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 208
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO VIEW PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BEFORE OBTAINING A SIGNATURE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 208 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Love spoke against the bill.
Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 12, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 208

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) ALAN CLARK

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) CLARKE TUCKER

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 208, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 208 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 209 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 209

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO DISQUALIFY SIGNATURES OBTAINED BY A CANVASSER UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 209 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 12, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 209

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) ALAN CLARK

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) CLARKE TUCKER

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 21

NEGATIVE: Dees, Flowers, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 209, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 21

NEGATIVE: Dees, Flowers, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

The record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 209 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on February 12, 2025.

Senate Bill No. 209 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 210 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 210
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE REQUIRE EXAMINING OF AUTHORITATIVE DOCUMENTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE THE SIGNER TO READ THE BALLOT TITLE OF THE PETITION IN THE PRESENCE OF A CANVASSER; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 210 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.
Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 12, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 210

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) ALAN CLARK

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) CLARKE TUCKER

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 210, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

The record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 210 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on February 12, 2025.

Senate Bill No. 210 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 211 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 211
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT BEFORE SIGNATURES CAN BE COUNTED; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 211 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE: February 12, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 211

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) ALAN CLARK

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) CLARKE TUCKER

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 211, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Petty.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 211 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Hammer moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 209 - Emergency Clause only failed be expunged. The motion was carried.

Senator Hammer moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 210 - Emergency Clause only failed be expunged. The motion carried.

Senator Hammer moved to add Senate Bill 209 and Senate Bill 210 in the Senate. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 213 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 213
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PILKINGTON, WARDLAW, HUDSON, L. JOHNSON, BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE HEALTHY MOMS, HEALTHY BABIES ACT; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO IMPROVE MATERNAL HEALTH IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 213 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill 213. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Hickey.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 213 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1067 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1067
As Engrossed: H1/23/25 H2/3/2025
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, VAUGHT
BY: SENATORS HILL, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING FIREARM HOLD AGREEMENTS; TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY TO A FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE WHO AGREES TO HOLD A FIREARM FOR AN INDIVIDUAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1067 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1067. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1067 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1138 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1138

As Engrossed: H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TORRES, GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TO CERTIFY TO THE OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY FOR A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE, CERTIFICATE, OR PARKING DECAL FOR A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1138 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees spoke for the bill.

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1138. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: McKee.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1138 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1205 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1205

As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INDEPENDENT INSPECTIONS OF A MODULAR BUILDING FOR CODE COMPLIANCE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1205 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1205. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1205, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1205 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1278 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1278
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES STEIMEL, S. BERRY, M. BROWN, C. COOPER, DUFFIELD, EUBANKS, D. GARNER, HALL, LONG, LYNCH, MAGIE, MCCULLOUGH, J. MOORE, PURYEAR, RICHMOND, SCHULZ, TORRES, VAUGHT, WALKER, WOOLDRIDGE, WOOTEN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING SURVEYORS; TO REQUIRE SURVEYORS TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS BEFORE ENTERING ONTO A COMMERCIAL POULTRY FARM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1278 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1278. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 24

NEGATIVE: Dismang, Hill.
Total 2
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.
Total 1
EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.
Total 3
VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Hammer, Payton, C. Penzo, Scott.
Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1278 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Flippo, House Bill No. 1310 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1310
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD INITIATIVE ACT; TO ABOLISH THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION FOR THE NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD INITIATIVE; TO TRANSFER ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY OVER THE NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANK TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1310 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flippo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1310. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1310, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1310 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1324 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1324
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, JEAN, BENTLEY, BEATY JR., M. BROWN, HALL, RAY, PURYEAR
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TIME OF PERMISSIBLE SALES OF FIREWORKS IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1324 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1324. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Clark, Petty.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1324 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 203, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1145, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOTEN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE VOTE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED APPROVED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE VOTE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED APPROVED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution concerning the vote requirements for constitutional amendments to be considered approved at the general election.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 20 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE VOTE REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIATED ACTS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED APPROVED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE VOTE REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIATED ACTS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED APPROVED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. <u>The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution concerning the vote requirements for initiated acts and constitutional amendments to be considered approved at the general election.</u>

Senate Joint Resolution No. 21 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 220
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SECURITIES ACT; TO CLARIFY EXEMPT TRANSACTIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS SECURITIES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 220 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Senate Bill No. 78 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 77 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1118
As Engrossed: H2/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE MANAGEMENT OF PREMIUM TAXES UNDER THE ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE PENSION REVIEW BOARD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1118 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1119
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS REGARDING DELINQUENT PAYMENTS BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1119 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1207
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFY LANGUAGE FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFITS UNDER THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1207 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1208
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO COLLECT AMOUNTS OF OVERPAYMENTS FOR DEBTS OWED TO A STATE SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEM ADMINISTERED BY THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1208 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1255
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COVERAGE OF A CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITOR IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1255 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1286
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TRIAGE, TREAT, AND TRANSPORT TO ALTERNATIVE DESTINATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1286 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1355
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 5 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CRIMINAL OFFENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1355 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1356
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 12 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING LAW ENFORCEMENT, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1356 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1357
As Engrossed: H2/4/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 16 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PRACTICE, PROCEDURE, AND COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1357 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1358
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 18 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1358 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1359
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC FINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1359 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1360
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 20 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1360 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1361
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 23 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC UTILITIES AND REGULATED INDUSTRIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1361 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1362
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 24 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING RETIREMENT AND PENSIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1362 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1363
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 25 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING STATE GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1363 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1364
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 27 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TRANSPORTATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1364 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1384
As Engrossed: H2/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L.JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE GRADUATE *MEDICAL EDUCATION RESIDENCY EXPANSION BOARD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1384 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1407
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1407 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1427
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PILKINGTON, ET AL
BY: SENATORS, IRVIN, B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE HEALTHY MOMS, HEALTHY BABIES ACT; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO IMPROVE MATERNAL HEALTH IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1427 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GONZALES, WORTHEN

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS TO VOTE IN AN ELECTION; AND PROVIDING THAT A PERSON WHO IS SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND OTHERWISE QUALIFIED TO VOTE MAY VOTE IN A PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION AND GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION AT WHICH ONE OR MORE NOMINEES ARE CHOSEN TO BE VOTED UPON AT A GENERAL ELECTION IF THE PERSON WILL BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE ON OR BEFORE THE DATE OF THE GENERAL ELECTION.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS TO VOTE IN AN ELECTION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Constitution, Article 3, §1(a), concerning the qualifications of electors, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, any person may vote in an election in this state who is:

~~(1)~~(A) A citizen of the United States;

~~(2)~~(B) A resident of the State of Arkansas;

~~(3)~~(C) At least eighteen (18) years of age; and

~~(4)~~(D) Lawfully registered to vote in the election.

(2) A person who is seventeen (17) years of age and otherwise qualified to vote in an election in this state may vote in the following elections at which one (1) or more nominees are chosen to be voted upon at a general election if the person will be eighteen (18) years of age on or before the date of the general election:

(A) A preferential primary election; and

(B) A general primary election.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 3. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to Provide that a Person who is Seventeen (17) Years of Age and Otherwise Qualified to Vote May Vote in Primary Elections At Which Nominees Are Chosen to be Voted Upon at a General Election if the Person Will Be Eighteen (18) Years of Age On or Before the Date of the General Election.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 22 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 221
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, B. JOHNSON,
C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE, G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS FROM USING CERTAIN TYPES OF CONTRACTING PRACTICES WHEN CONTRACTING WITH PROVIDERS; TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 221 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 222
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, B. JOHNSON,
C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE, G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO CLARIFY MARKETING BY PROVIDERS UNDER THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 222 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 223
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON
REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 223 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 91; AND TO PROVIDE THAT PROCEEDS GENERATED UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 91, MAY BE APPLIED TO MULTILANE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE THAT PROCEEDS GENERATED UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 91, MAY BE APPLIED TO MULTILANE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 91, and to provide that proceeds generated under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 91, may be applied to multilane highway improvements.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 23 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING BALLOT TITLES FOR INITIATED MEASURES; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE BALLOT TITLE FOR AN INITIATED MEASURE SHALL BE READABLE, SHALL BE CLEAR AND CONCISE, AND SHALL NOT EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED WORDS.

Subtitle

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING BALLOT TITLES FOR INITIATED MEASURES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this joint resolution is to amend the Arkansas Constitution concerning ballot titles for initiated measures and to provide that ballot titles for initiated measures shall be readable, shall be clear and concise, and shall not exceed five hundred (500) words.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 24 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

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AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1118
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HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1067
HOUSE BILL NO. 1138
HOUSE BILL NO. 1278
HOUSE BILL NO. 1324

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1205
HOUSE BILL NO. 1310

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 13, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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THIRTY-SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 13, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Dees requested leave for Senators Clark and King. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Dees.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 143 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 143

Amend Senate Bill No.143 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"provision of probation, parole, and post-release supervision services.

(3) Officers designated by the director under § 12-8-104(l)(1) shall not:

(A) Stop or detain a person without reasonable cause to arrest the person;

(B) Conduct a warrantless search of a person or his or her property; or

(C) Execute a warrant containing an exception to the requirement for the executing officer to make known the officer's presence and authority for entering the dwelling, commonly known as a "no-knock warrant"."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 143 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 202 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 202

Amend Senate Bill No. 202 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 30, and substitute the following:
"~~at least one-fourth (¼) of the amount of the contract price, conditioned as the commission may require~~ to ensure that each contract between a bidder and the commission is fully executed and completed and that the bond or bonds fully cover the exposure of the state."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 202 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1245

Amend House Bill No.1245 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 16 through 18, and substitute the following:

"(4) Evidence that he or she is certified by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, Inc., as a board certified behavior analyst or a board certified behavior analyst-doctoral."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 33 through 35, and substitute the following:

"(D) At least one (1) of the members appointed under subdivision (a)(2) of this section shall be a licensed psychologist who is either a board certified behavior analyst or has a background and experience providing behavior analysis services."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1245 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 143, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 202, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 143 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 202 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,
REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 224
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING NATURAL ORGANIC FERTILIZERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 224 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 225
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. RICHARDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO PROVIDE A CATEGORY FOR BENEFICIARIES WITH SICKLE CELL DISEASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 225 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 226
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST PREVENTION ACT; TO MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS RELATED TO SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 226 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Resolution No. 14 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 14
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, B. KING

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 9-15, 2025, AS EUREKA SPRINGS FBLA WEEK.

Senate Resolution No. 14 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Bill No. 17 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 17

Amend Senate Bill No. 17 as engrossed S1/29/25:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 12, and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO CREATE LUX'S LAW; TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY THAT IS INTENDED TO BE CREMATED OR BURIED; TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES FOR THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute the following:

"TO CREATE LUX'S LAW; TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY THAT IS INTENDED TO BE CREMATED OR BURIED; AND TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES FOR THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY."

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 36, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-60-101(a), concerning abuse of a corpse, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits abuse of a corpse if, except as authorized by law, he or she knowingly:

(1) Disinters, removes, dissects, or mutilates a corpse; ~~or~~

(2) Sells a corpse, or any part of a corpse, after the corpse has been authorized for final disposition through cremation or burial; or

~~(2)(A)~~(3)(A) Physically mistreats or conceals a corpse in a manner offensive to a person of reasonable sensibilities.

(B) A person who conceals a corpse in a manner offensive to a person of reasonable sensibilities that results in the corpse remaining concealed is continuing in a course of conduct under § 5-1-109(e)(1)(B).

(C)(i) As used in this section, “in a manner offensive to a person of reasonable sensibilities” means in a manner that is outside the normal practices of handling or disposing of a corpse.

(ii) “In a manner offensive to a person of reasonable sensibilities” includes without limitation the dismembering, submerging, or burning of a corpse."

(SIGNED) SENATOR FREDERICK LOVE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 17 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 186 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 186

Amend Senate Bill No.186 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 35 through 36, and substitute the following:
"~~seven hundred fifty thousand dollars ($750,000)~~ one million five hundred thousand dollars ($1,500,000) for a single commercial project, the applicant"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 186 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1049 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1049

Amend House Bill No.1049 as engrossed H2/4/25:

Delete Representatives Tosh, McGrew, Lundstrum, Andrews, Barker, Beaty Jr., Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, R. Burkes, Joey Carr, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Duffield, Duke, Eaves, Furman, Gonzales Worthen, Gramlich, Hawk, Holcomb, Hollowell, Jean, L. Johnson, Ladyman, Long, Lynch, Maddox, J. Mayberry, McAlindon, McClure, M. McElroy, McNair, S. Meeks, Milligan, J. Moore, Painter, Pearce, Puryear, Ray, R. Scott Richardson, Richmond, Rye, Schulz, M. Shepherd, Steimel, Unger, Vaught, Walker, Warren, Wooten as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Add Representatives Tosh, McGrew, Lundstrum, Andrews, Barker, Beaty Jr., Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, R. Burkes, Joey Carr, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Duffield, Duke, Eaves, Furman, Gonzales, Gramlich, Hawk, Holcomb, Hollowell, Jean, L. Johnson, Ladyman, Long, Lynch, Maddox, J. Mayberry, McAlindon, McClure, M. McElroy, McNair, S. Meeks, Milligan, J. Moore, Painter, Pearce, Puryear, Ray, R. Scott Richardson, Richmond, Rye, Schulz, M. Shepherd, Steimel, Unger, Vaught, Walker, Warren, Wooten as cosponsors of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1049 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1075 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1075

Amend House Bill No.1075 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 13 through 16, and substitute the following:

"prohibit a local government from levying a sales and use tax."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 17 and 18, and substitute the following:

"(c) This section does not prohibit a local government from:

(1) Purchasing or using a lawn care device that uses a particular energy source; or

(2) Enacting or enforcing a noise ordinance."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1075 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 90

As Engrossed: S1/27/25 S2/5/25 S2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT PUBLIC COMMENT AT EACH MEETING OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 90 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Hickey.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Irvin, Murdock.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Crowell, Johnson, B., Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 135
As Engrossed: S2/4/25 S2/11/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, *CRAWFORD*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ELECTION REQUIREMENTS IN THE CASE OF AN UNCHANGED RATE OF AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX LEVIED BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 135 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang spoke against the bill.
Senator Boyd closed for the bill.

Senator Boyd requested Senate Bill No. 135 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 180 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 180
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT PROVIDERS IN THE PROGRAM OF ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY FROM THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 180 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 180. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.180 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 203 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 203

As Engrossed: S2/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MADDOX, MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLICITY AND TOURISM; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OUTDOOR RECREATION ACTIVITIES AND RECREATIONAL TRAMWAYS; TO CREATE A RECREATIONAL TRAMWAY SYSTEM FOR STATE PARKS AND FOR OTHER LOCATIONS IN THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 203 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 203. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Murdock.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love, Tucker.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.203 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 209, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Murdock, Petty.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Hammer moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 209 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 209 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on February 13, 2025.

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 210, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English , Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer , Hester, Hill , Irvin , Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Petty.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Hammer moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 210 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 210 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on February 13, 2025.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 214 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 214
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD SECOND DEGREE MURDER TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES THAT ARE INELIGIBLE FOR MERITORIOUS FURLOUGH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 214 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 214. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.214 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 173 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 173
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 7 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ELECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 173 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 173. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.173 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

Senator Tucker was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on the following batched bills. Motion carried.

SENATE BILL NO. 170
SENATE BILL NO. 171
SENATE BILL NO. 172
SENATE BILL NO. 174
SENATE BILL NO. 175
SENATE BILL NO. 176
SENATE BILL NO. 177

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 170 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 170
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 1 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING GENERAL PROVISIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 170 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.170 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 171 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 171
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 4 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 171 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.171 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 172 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 172
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 172 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.172 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 174 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 174
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 8 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 174 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.174 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 175 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 175
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 11 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 175 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.175 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 176 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 176

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 15 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 176 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.176 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 177 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 177
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 17 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PROFESSIONS, OCCUPATIONS, AND BUSINESSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 177 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.177 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1071 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071

As Engrossed: S2/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FRANK BROYLES PUBLICITY RIGHTS PROTECTION ACT OF 2016; TO PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE PHOTOGRAPH, VOICE, OR LIKENESS IS REPRODUCED THROUGH MEANS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND USED COMMERCIALLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1071 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1071. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1071 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1074 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1074
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FUNDS USED FOR PROVIDING PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; TO AMEND THE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF TRUST FUND; TO REQUIRE A HIGHER VOTE THRESHOLD FOR USING MONEYS IN THE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF TRUST FUND FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1074 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1074. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1074 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1145 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1145

As Engrossed: S2/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOTEN

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PURCHASES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY; TO INCREASE THE PURCHASE AMOUNT AUTHORIZED FOR ADDITIONAL AFTER-MARKET EQUIPMENT FOR A NEW MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASED BY A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1145 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1145. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 3

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1145 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1199 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1199

As Engrossed: S2/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARKER

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO REPEAL THE STATUTE CONCERNING THE PROHIBITION AGAINST A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS GRANTING A LEGAL TRANSFER UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1199 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1199. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1199 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1214 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1214
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR WITHIN THE LONG-TERM CARE AIDE TRAINING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1214 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1214. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1214 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1215 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1215
As Engrossed: H2/5/25 S2/11/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A COACH OR ATHLETICS PERSONNEL MEMBER OF THE OPPOSITE SEX TO ADDRESS, SUPERVISE, OR TREAT STUDENT ATHLETES IN A MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY RESTROOM OR CHANGING AREA UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1215 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1215. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1215 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1263 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1263
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER, LUNDSTRUM
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF UNLAWFUL REMOVAL OR FAILURE TO CHARGE AN ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1263 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1263. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1263 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1282 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1282
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, ET AL
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1282 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1282. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1282 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1311 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1311
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR APPROPRIATED FUNDS OF CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS AND INCORPORATED TOWNS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SYSTEM IN THE VARIOUS CITIES AND TOWNS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1311 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1311. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1311 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1317 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1317

As Engrossed: H2/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT TO INCLUDE FRAUD AGAINST A STATE SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE PENALTY FOR MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS OR FALSIFYING RECORDS IN AN ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD A STATE SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1317 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1317. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1317, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1317 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1318 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1318
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AMEND THE EXCURSION TRAIN PERMIT TO INCLUDE EXCURSION BOATS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1318 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE:

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Clark, King.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1318 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 17, BY SENATOR FREDERICK LOVE,
SENATE BILL NO. 186, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1049, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1075, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 20, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 23, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 28, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 31, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 65, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 74, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 116, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 199, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 227
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967 CONCERNING PUBLIC MEETINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 227 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 24
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKANSAS COUNCIL FOR MILITARY CHILDREN FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO AND SUCCESSES IN SERVING MILITARY FAMILIES IN ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 24 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 3, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO. 77, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 78, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:25 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 3
SENATE BILL NO. 77
SENATE BILL NO. 78

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this thirteenth day of February, 2025 at 11:50 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 169, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 184, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1221, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1222, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1223, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 228
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING A WAIVER FOR A RENEWED BACKGROUND CHECK GRANTED BY A BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AN EDUCATIONAL ENTITY TO AN APPLICANT FOR A NONLICENSED STAFF POSITION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 228 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 229
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 229 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 230
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS TRUST INSTITUTIONS ACT; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TRUST INSTITUTIONS ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 230 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 231
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE OFFICE OF THE ARKANSAS LOTTERY; TO CONFER LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY ON SELECT EMPLOYEES OF THE OFFICE OF THE ARKANSAS LOTTERY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 231 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE NUCOR DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL ON FEBRUARY 19, 2025.

Senate Resolution No. 25 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 14 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 102 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 146 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 59 was returned from the House as passed as amended No. 1.

Senate Bill No. 142 was returned from the House as passed as amended No. 1.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 142 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1186

As Engrossed: H1/28/25 H2/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE PAIN RELIEF PARITY ACT; TO REQUIRE PAIN RELIEF PARITY IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1186 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1194

As Engrossed: H1/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT ON THE STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS IN RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION OF THE INTEGRATION OF HOXIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1194 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1209
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFITS BY THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM REGARDING THE SUBJECTION OF ANNUITY RIGHTS TO PROCESS OF LAW AND CORRECTION OF ERRORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1209 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 232
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HICKEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "LOTTERY PROCEEDS"; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "NET PROCEEDS"; TO AMEND THE CONTENTS OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT; TO PROVIDE THAT THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS ARE EXPENSES OF THE DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT WILL CONTINUE TO BE REIMBURSED BY THE OFFICE OF THE ARKANSAS LOTTERY USING LOTTERY NET PROCEEDS; TO ELIMINATE THE SCHOLARSHIP SHORTFALL RESERVE TRUST ACCOUNT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 232 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 14, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 102, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 146, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:45 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 14
SENATE BILL NO. 102
SENATE BILL NO. 146

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this thirteenth day of February 13, 2025, at 4:05 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

SENATE BILL NO. 233
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX LAWS RELATING TO CERTAIN TRUSTS; TO PRESERVE CERTAIN TRUST ASSETS; TO EXEMPT CERTAIN TRUSTS FROM INCOME TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 233 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1210
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1210 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1211
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFY LANGUAGE FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1211 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1315
As Engrossed: H2/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES TORRES, ET AL
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A BLOOD TYPE DESIGNATION TO BE PLACED ON A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1315 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1382
As Engrossed: H2/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTING BY THE DESIGNATED PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR THE STATE AND THE DESIGNATED CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE STATE TO THE HOSPITAL, MEDICAID, AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES STUDY SUBCOMMITTEE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1382 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1399
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF DONATION DEEDS AND HOMESTEAD DONATION DEEDS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1399 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1411
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION; TO CLARIFY THE REGULATION OF CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION; TO ESTABLISH THE CARBON DIOXIDE STORAGE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1411 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1412
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY REGULATION OF PIPELINE SAFETY AUTHORIZATION FOR TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS LIQUIDS OR CARBON DIOXIDE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1412 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1417
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN, WARDLAW
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE OFFICIAL DUCK OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1417 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1418
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR RICE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF KNIVES OR KNIFE-MAKING COMPONENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1418 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 90
SENATE BILL NO. 170
SENATE BILL NO. 171
SENATE BILL NO. 172
SENATE BILL NO. 173
SENATE BILL NO. 174
SENATE BILL NO. 175
SENATE BILL NO. 176
SENATE BILL NO. 177
SENATE BILL NO. 180
SENATE BILL NO. 203
SENATE BILL NO. 214

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 14
SENATE BILL NO. 102
SENATE BILL NO. 146

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 142 AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 59 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1186
HOUSE BILL NO. 1194
HOUSE BILL NO. 1210
HOUSE BILL NO. 1211
HOUSE BILL NO. 1315
HOUSE BILL NO. 1382
HOUSE BILL NO. 1399
HOUSE BILL NO. 1411
HOUSE BILL NO. 1412
HOUSE BILL NO. 1417
HOUSE BILL NO. 1418

HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1209

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1074
HOUSE BILL NO. 1214
HOUSE BILL NO. 1263
HOUSE BILL NO. 1282
HOUSE BILL NO. 1311
HOUSE BILL NO. 1318

HOUSE BILL NO. 1311
HOUSE BILL NO. 1318

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1317

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL NO. 1145 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL NO. 1199 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL NO. 1215 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 17, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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THIRTY-SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 17, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Caldwell requested leave for Senator King. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Byron Calhoun.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 91 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 91

Amend Senate Bill No. 91 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 35, and substitute the following:
"(b)(1) ~~A~~ As to leasing private residential or commercial property, and except as provided under § 18-16-304, a"

AND

Page 2, delete line 28, and substitute the following:
"(b)(1) ~~A~~ As to leasing private residential or commercial property, and except as provided under § 18-16-304, a"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 91 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 101 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 101

Amend Senate Bill No. 101 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Springer

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 101 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 123 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 123

Amend Senate Bill No. 123 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Vaught, Torres

AND

Page 2, delete line 11, and substitute the following:
"~~breast cancer~~ examinations, examinations for breast cancer, and supplemental breast examinations shall not"

(SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 123 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 230 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 230

Amend Senate Bill No. 230 as originally introduced:

Page 124, delete lines 10 through 20, and substitute the following:
"(c) The commissioner may deny approval of the additional trust office"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 230 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 231 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 231

Amend Senate Bill No. 231 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Cozart

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-115-205 is amended to read as follows:

23-115-205. Office of the Arkansas Lottery powers.

(a) The Office of the Arkansas Lottery has all powers necessary or convenient to its usefulness in carrying out this chapter that are not in conflict with the Arkansas Constitution or the United States Constitution, including without limitation the following powers:

(1) To adopt and alter a seal;

(2) To adopt, amend, and repeal rules for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business, to prescribe the duties of officers and employees of the office, and to perform other matters as the office determines;

(3) To bring suits to enforce demands of the state under this chapter;

(4) To procure or to provide insurance;

(5) To hold copyrights, trademarks, and service marks and to enforce the office's rights with respect to those copyrights, trademarks, and service marks;

(6) To initiate, supervise, and administer the operation of lotteries in accordance with this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter;

(7) To enter into written agreements with one (1) or more other states or sovereigns for the operation, participation in marketing, and promotion of multistate or multisovereign games;

(8) To conduct market research as necessary or appropriate;

(9) To acquire or lease real property and make improvements to the real property and acquire by lease or by purchase personal property, including without limitation:

(A) Computers;

(B) Mechanical, electronic, and online equipment and terminals;

(C) Intangible property, including without limitation computer programs, computer systems, and computer software; and

(D) Broadcast equipment;

(10) To administer oaths, take depositions, issue subpoenas, and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, documents, and other evidence relative to any investigation or proceeding conducted by the office;

(11) To employ an internal auditor to perform the duties and responsibilities required under § 23-115-212;

(12) To select and contract with vendors;

(13) To select and license retailers;

(14) To enter into contracts or agreements with state or local law enforcement agencies for the performance of law enforcement, background investigations, and security checks;

(15) To conduct background investigations and, if considered necessary by the Director of the Office of the Arkansas Lottery, credit investigations on each potential vendor and retailer;

(16) To supervise ticket or share validation and lottery drawings;

(17) To inspect at times determined solely by the office the facilities of a vendor or a retailer to determine:

(A) The integrity of the vendor's product or the operations of the retailer; and

(B) Whether the vendor or the retailer is in compliance with its contract or license;

(18) To report any suspected violation of this chapter to the appropriate prosecuting attorney or the Attorney General and to any law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction over the violation;

(19) Upon request, to provide assistance to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the Legislative Auditor, the appropriate prosecuting attorney, the Attorney General, or a law enforcement agency investigating a violation of this chapter;

(20) To enter into contracts of terms and conditions that the office determines;

(21) To establish and maintain banking relationships associated with the maintenance and investment of lottery proceeds, including without limitation the establishment of checking and savings accounts and trust funds;

(22)(A) To advertise and promote lotteries and scholarships and grants funded by net proceeds.

(B) The office shall seek the advice of the Division of Higher Education when advertising to promote scholarships and grants funded by net proceeds;

(23) To act as a retailer and to establish and operate a sales facility to conduct promotions that involve the sale of tickets or shares and any related merchandise;

(24)(A) To contract with one (1) or more independent testing laboratories to scientifically test and technically evaluate lottery games, lottery terminals, and lottery operating systems.

(B) An independent testing laboratory shall:

(i) Have a national reputation that is demonstrably competent; and

(ii) Be qualified to scientifically test and evaluate all components of a lottery game, lottery terminal, or lottery operating system.

(C) An independent testing laboratory shall not be owned or controlled by a vendor or a retailer;

(25) To withhold state and federal income taxes as required by law; and

(26) To adopt and amend rules necessary to carry out and implement the office's powers and duties, organize and operate the office, regulate the conduct of lotteries in general, and any other matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and effective operation of lotteries for the convenience of the public.

(b) The powers enumerated in subsection (a) of this section:

(1) Are in addition to those powers of the office enumerated elsewhere in this chapter; and

(2) Do not limit or restrict any other powers of the office.

(c) The office is responsible for maintaining the integrity of the lottery.

(d) The director shall assign personnel as agents of the office to conduct investigations related to violations of lottery-related laws or lottery-related administrative rules.

(e) Personnel assigned as agents of the office shall:

(1) Be considered law enforcement officers by the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training pursuant to § 12-9-101 et seq.; and

(2) Have statewide law enforcement authority."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 231 was ordered engrossed.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 14, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam President:

This is to inform you that on February 13, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 13 - ACT 49
Senate Bill No. 133 - ACT 50
Senate Bill No. 45 - ACT 51
Senate Bill No. 58 - ACT 52
Senate Bill No. 19 - ACT 54
Senate Bill No. 21 - ACT 55
Senate Bill No. 24 - ACT 56
Senate Bill No. 27 - ACT 57
Senate Bill No. 29 - ACT 58
Senate Bill No. 30 - ACT 59
Senate Bill No. 43 - ACT 60
Senate Bill No. 66 - ACT 61
Senate Bill No. 80 - ACT 62
Senate Bill No. 105 - ACT 63
Senate Bill No. 107 - ACT 64
Senate Bill No. 108 - ACT 65
Senate Bill No. 109 - ACT 66
Senate Bill No. 112 - ACT 67
Senate Bill No. 113 - ACT 68
Senate Bill No. 114 - ACT 69
Senate Bill No. 115 - ACT 70
Senate Bill No. 126 - ACT 71
Senate Bill No. 129 - ACT 72
Senate Bill No. 190 - ACT 73
Senate Bill No. 191 - ACT 74
Senate Bill No. 192 - ACT 75
Senate Bill No. 193 - ACT 76
Senate Bill No. 194 - ACT 77
Senate Bill No. 195 - ACT 78
Senate Bill No. 196 - ACT 79
Senate Bill No. 197 - ACT 80
Senate Bill No. 198 - ACT 81

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Governor

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 91, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 101, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 123, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 230, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 231, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 91 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Seate Bill No. 101 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 123 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 230 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 231 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 138 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 138 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 226, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 228, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 142, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass, concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1060, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1189, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 234
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT-WEST; TO CREATE AN ADDITIONAL CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 234 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 235
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE VOLUNTARY PORTABLE BENEFIT ACCOUNT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 235 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 236
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY REGULATORY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 236 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 237
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF CAPTIVE INSURERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 237 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 238
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE USED TIRE RECYCLING AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 238 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 239
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGRUDER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REQUIRED STUDENT REPORT CARDS; TO REQUIRE A REPORT CARD TO INCLUDE A STUDENT'S CURRENT READING GRADE LEVEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 239 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 240
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CREDIT REPORTING DISCLOSURE ACT OF 1989; TO CLARIFY THE CONTENT REQUIRED FOR A NOTICE OF ADVERSE ACTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 240 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 241
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; TO GRANT PAID LEAVE TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S FAMILY MEMBER OR CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 241 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 242
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LOANS INVOLVING THE STOCK OF A STATE BANK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 242 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 243
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HICKEY

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LOTTERY-FUNDED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 243 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 244
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING POSTPONEMENT OF JUDGMENT IN DISTRICT COURT; TO PERMIT A SUSPENDED IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE IN CERTAIN DISTRICT COURT CASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 244 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 245
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 245 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 59 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 59

Amend Senate Bill No. 59 as engrossed S2/4/25:

Delete Representatives Gramlich, Vaught, McCullough, Achor, F. Allen, Andrews, Barker, Barnes, Barnett, Beaty Jr., Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, R. Burkes, Cavenaugh, Childress, Clowney, A. Collins, Cozart, Crawford, Eaton, Eaves, Ennett, Evans, K. Ferguson, Furman, D. Garner, Gazaway, Gonzales Worthen, Hall, Henley, Holcomb, Hollowell, Hudson, Jean, Maddox, Magie, McClure, M. McElroy, McGruder, McNair, Milligan, K. Moore, Painter, Perry, Pilkington, Puryear, J. Richardson, R. Scott Richardson, Rye, Schulz, T. Shephard, Springer, Steele, Tosh, Walker, Warren, D. Whitaker, Wooten

AND

Add Representatives Gramlich, McCullough, Vaught, Achor, F. Allen, Andrews, Barker, Barnes, Barnett, Beaty Jr., Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, Joey Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, Clowney, A. Collins, Cozart, Crawford, Eaton, Eaves, Ennett, Evans, K. Ferguson, Furman, D. Garner, Gazaway, Gonzales Worthen, Hall, Henley, Holcomb, Hollowell, Hudson, Jean, Maddox, Magie, McClure, M. McElroy, McGruder, McNair, Milligan, K. Moore, Painter, Perry, Pilkington, Puryear, J. Richardson, R. Scott Richardson, Rye, Schulz, T. Shephard, Springer, Steele, Tosh, Walker, Warren, D. Whitaker, Wooten

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 59 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read 2nd time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dismang, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 59 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 59

As Engrossed: S1/30/25 S2/4/25 H2/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, C. TUCKER, J. BOYD, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, J. PAYTON, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, ET AL.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT WITH ONE BREAKFAST AT NO COST DURING EACH SCHOOL DAY UPON HIS OR HER REQUEST WITHOUT CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR A FEDERALLY FUNDED FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE *MEAL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 59 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 59. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Hill.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Flippo, Hickey, McKee, Stubblefield.

Total 9

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 59, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Hill.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Flippo, Hickey, McKee, Stubblefield.

Total 9

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 59 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Bill No. 17 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 17
As Engrossed: S1/29/25 S2/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPARD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO CREATE LUX'S LAW; TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY THAT IS INTENDED TO BE CREMATED OR BURIED; TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES FOR THE SALE OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 17 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.

Senator Love moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 17. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.17 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 169 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 169
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 169 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 169. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 169 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 184 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 184
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LONG, S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER CERTAIN POWERS AND DUTIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; TO ABOLISH THE ARKANSAS EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION; TO ABOLISH THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD; TO TRANSFER THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION AND THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 184 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott spoke against the bill.
Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.
Senator Leding spoke against the bill.
Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Sullivan closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: English, Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, Dotson, Irvin.

Total 3

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.184 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 186 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 186

As Engrossed: S2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATAIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED BY A LICENSEE OF THE CONTRACTORS LICENSING BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 186 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 186. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 186 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1048 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1048

As Engrossed: H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES C. COOPER, LONG, BENTLEY*, A. BROWN, LUNDSTRUM, B. MCKENZIE, PURYEAR*

BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, *J. DOTSON*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE INCIDENTAL SALE OF GOAT MILK, SHEEP MILK, AND WHOLE MILK THAT HAS NOT BEEN PASTEURIZED; TO CLARIFY THAT THE INCIDENTAL SALE OF RAW MILK IS NOT LIMITED TO A SALE ON THE FARM; AND OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1048 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1048. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1048 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1049 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1049

As Engrossed: H2/4/25 S2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EVANS, ET AL.

BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL OFFENSES; TO CRIMINALIZE UNLAWFUL SQUATTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Caldwell requested that House Bill No. 1049 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1075 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1075

As Engrossed: S2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO LIMIT THE REGULATION AND TAXATION OF LAWN CARE DEVICES; TO PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM REGULATING THE SALE OR USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE OR IMPOSING A TAX OR FEE ON THE USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1075 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1075. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Scott, Tucker.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1075 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1207 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1207
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFY LANGUAGE FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFITS UNDER THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1207 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1207. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1207 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1209 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1209
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATAIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFITS BY THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM REGARDING THE SUBJECTION OF ANNUITY RIGHTS TO PROCESS OF LAW AND CORRECTION OF ERRORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1209 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1209. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1209, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1209 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Gilmore was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on the batch. Motion carried.

Batched Bills

HOUSE BILL NO. 1208
HOUSE BILL NO. 1210
HOUSE BILL NO. 1211

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1208 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1208
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO COLLECT AMOUNTS OF OVERPAYMENTS FOR DEBTS OWED TO A STATE SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEM ADMINISTERED BY THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1208 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1208 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1210 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1210
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1210 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1210 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1211 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1211

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFY LANGUAGE FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1211 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1211 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore House Bill No. 1223 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1223
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FORM OF BALLOTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A PREFIX IN AN ELECTION FOR A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE BY AN APPOINTEE TO A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE; TO ALLOW A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OR JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS WHO IS SERVING IN THAT POSITION AS AN APPOINTEE TO USE THE TITLE OF THAT POSITION AS A PREFIX ON THE BALLOT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1223 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1223. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Scott.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1223 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1390 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1390
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING, ADULT, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1390 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1390. motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1390, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1390 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1391 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1391

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1391 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1391. Motion caried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1391, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

`The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1391 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Bryant was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on the following batched bills. Motion carried.

SENATE BILL NO. 20
SENATE BILL NO. 23
SENATE BILL NO. 28
SENATE BILL NO. 31
SENATE BILL NO. 65
SENATE BILL NO. 74
SENATE BILL NO. 116
SENATE BILL NO. 199

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 20 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 20
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - ARKANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 20 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 20, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 20 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 23 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 23

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE AND DISABILITY COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 23 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 23, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 23 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 28 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 28

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS ETHICS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 28 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 28, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 28 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 31 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 31

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING - WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 31 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 31, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 31 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 65 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 65

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - CAPITOL ZONING DISTRICT COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 65 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 65, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 65 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 74 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 74

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 74 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 74, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 74 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 116 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 116

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - SYSTEM AND VARIOUS DIVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 116 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 116, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 116 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 199 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 199

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 199 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 199, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 199 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE TO DELEGATE CERTAIN TASKS TO MEDICAL ASSISTANTS AND OTHER UNLICENSED STAFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1131 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1182
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPLACE THE DEFINED TERM "MEDICATION ASSISTIVE PERSON" WITH THE DEFINED TERM "CERTIFIED MEDICATION ASSISTANT" THROUGHOUT § 17-87-701 ET SEQ.; TO SET FORTH THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR A CERTIFIED MEDICATION ASSISTANT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1182 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1292
As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1292 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1368

As Engrossed: H2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RYE, *F. ALLEN, ET AL*

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIST OF MUSICIANS HONORED ON ARKANSAS MUSIC APPRECIATION DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1368 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1437

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, ET AL

BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, B. DAVIS, GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PERSON REQUIRED TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER FROM ENTERING A WATER PARK, SWIMMING AREA, OR CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND OF A PUBLIC PARK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1437 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1441

As Engrossed: H2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS COORDINATE SYSTEM OF 1983; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1441 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Senate Bill No. 89 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 59, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

SENATE BILL NO. 89, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:26 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 59
SENATE BILL NO. 89

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this seventeenth day of February, 2025 at 3:45 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 139, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1181, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1183, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1427, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 202, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1315, BY REPRESENTATIVE TORRES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 246
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ACCESS ACT; TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE AS THEY RELATE TO EDUCATION IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 246 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, C. TUCKER, G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, ET AL

A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FORMER REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATOR JOYCE ELLIOTT DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH FOR HER SERVICE TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 17
SENATE BILL NO. 169
SENATE BILL NO. 184
SENATE BILL NO. 186

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/ EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 20
SENATE BILL NO. 23
SENATE BILL NO. 28
SENATE BILL NO. 31
SENATE BILL NO. 65
SENATE BILL NO. 74
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SENATE BILL NO. 199

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 89

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131
HOUSE BILL NO. 1182
HOUSE BILL NO. 1292
HOUSE BILL NO. 1368
HOUSE BILL NO. 1437
HOUSE BILL NO. 1441

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1048
HOUSE BILL NO. 1207
HOUSE BILL NO. 1208
HOUSE BILL NO. 1210
HOUSE BILL NO. 1211
HOUSE BILL NO. 1223

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1209
HOUSE BILL NO. 1390
HOUSE BILL NO. 1391

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1075 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

1030

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THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 18, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10:30 o'clock a.m.by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Scott requested leave for Senators Payton and King. Leave granted.

Senator Petty requested leave for Senator Bryant. Leave granted

Senator English retracted leave for Senator King.

The Senate was led in prayer by Dr. Dwight Demon Townsend.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 117

Amend Senate Bill No. 117 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 11 through 13, and substitute the following:
"PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NATUROPATHY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO CREATE THE NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN PRACTICE ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE OF NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NATUROPATHY."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17 is amended to add an additional chapter to read as follows:

CHAPTER 108
NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN PRACTICE ACT

Subchapter 1 — General Provisions

17-108-101. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Naturopathic Physician Practice Act".

17-108-102. Legislative findings and intent.

(a) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) The practice of naturopathic medicine in this state affects the public health, safety, and welfare and should be subject to regulation and control in the public interest; and

(2) Naturopathic physicians comprise a distinct healthcare profession that affects the public health, safety, and welfare and increases freedom of choice in health care in this state.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly to ensure that naturopathic physicians and the practice of naturopathic medicine as defined in this subchapter merit the confidence of the public, that only qualified persons be authorized to practice naturopathic medicine in this state, and that a person shall not practice naturopathic medicine without a valid existing license.

17-108-103. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(1) "Approved naturopathic medical school" means a medical school approved by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy under this subchapter that prepares a naturopathic physician for the practice of naturopathic medicine;

(2)(A) "Clinical laboratory procedure" means the use of venipuncture consistent with naturopathic medical practice, commonly used diagnostic modalities consistent with naturopathic practice, the recording of a patient's health history, physical examination, ordering and interpretation of radiographic diagnostics, and other standard imaging and examination of body orifices, excluding endoscopy and colonoscopy.

(B) "Clinical laboratory procedure" includes the practice of obtaining samples of human tissues, except surgical excision beyond surgical excision that is authorized as a minor office procedure;

(3) "Homeopathic medicine" means a system of medicine based on the use of minimal doses of substances capable of producing symptoms similar to those of the disease treated, as listed in the Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States;

(4) "Hygiene" means the use of preventive techniques, including personal hygiene, asepsis, public health, and safety;

(5) "Laboratory examination" means:

(A) Phlebotomy;

(B) A clinical laboratory procedure;

(C) An orificial examination;

(D) A physiological function test; and

(E) A screening or test that is consistent with naturopathic education and training;

(6) "Minor office procedure" means minor surgical care and procedures, including:

(A) Surgical care incidental to superficial laceration, lesion or

abrasion, excluding surgical care to treat a lesion suspected of malignancy;

(B) The removal of foreign bodies located in superficial structures, excluding the globe of the eye;

(C) Trigger point therapy;

(D) Dermal stimulation;

(E) Allergy testing and treatment; and

(F) The use of antiseptics and topical or local anesthetics;

(7) "Naturopathic medicine" means:

(A) A system of health care for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of human health conditions, injury, and disease;

(B) The promotion or restoration of health; and

(C) The support and stimulation of a patient's inherent self-healing processes through patient education and the use of naturopathic therapies and therapeutic substances;

(8) "Naturopathic therapeutic medicine" means the use of one (1) or more of the following physical agents in a manner consistent with naturopathic medical practice on a part or the whole of the body, by hand or by mechanical means, in the resolution of a human ailment or condition:

(A) Air;

(B) Water;

(C) Heat;

(D) Cold;

(E) Sound;

(F) Light;

(G) Electromagnetism;

(H) Colon hydrotherapy;

(I) Soft tissue therapy;

(J) Joint mobilization;

(K) Therapeutic exercise; or

(L) Naturopathic manipulation;

(9) "Naturopathic physician" means an individual licensed under this subchapter as a naturopathic physician to practice naturopathic medicine in this state;

(10) "Naturopathic therapy" means the use of:

(A) Naturopathic therapeutic medicine;

(B) Suggestion;

(C) Hygiene;

(D) A therapeutic substance;

(E) Nutrition and food science;

(F) Homeopathic medicine;

(G) A clinical laboratory procedure; or

(H) A minor office procedure;

(11) "Nutrition and food science" means the prevention and treatment of disease or other human conditions through the use of food, water, herbs, roots,

bark, or natural food elements;

(12) "Professional examination" means a competency-based national naturopathic physician licensing examination administered by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners or its successor agency, which nationally administers a naturopathic examination that represents federal standards of education and training;

(13) "Suggestion" means a technique using:

(A) Biofeedback;

(B) Hypnosis;

(C) Health education; or

(D) Health counseling; and

(14) "Therapeutic substance" means any of the following exemplified in a standard naturopathic medical text, journal, or pharmacopeia:

(A) A vitamin;

(B) A mineral;

(C) A nutraceutical;

(D) A botanical medicine;

(E) Oxygen;

(F) A homeopathic medicine;

(G) A hormone;

(H) A hormonal or pharmaceutical contraceptive device; or

(I) Other physiologic substance.

17-108-104. Exemptions.

This subchapter does not prohibit or restrict:

(1) The practice of a healthcare profession by an individual who is licensed, certified, or registered under the laws of this state and who is performing services within the individual's scope of practice;

(2) The practice of naturopathic medicine by a student enrolled in an approved naturopathic medical school if the practice of naturopathic medicine by a student is performed under a course of instruction or an assignment from an instructor and under the supervision of an instructor who is a licensee or a duly licensed professional in the instructed field;

(3) A person that sells a vitamin or herb from providing information about the vitamin or herb;

(4) The practice of naturopathic medicine by a person who is licensed to practice in any other state or district in the United States and who enters this state to consult with a naturopathic physician of this state if the consultation is limited to examination, recommendation, or testimony in litigation; or

(5) A person or practitioner who is not licensed as a naturopathic physician from recommending ayurvedic medicine, herbal remedies, nutritional advice, homeopathy, or other therapy that is within the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine if that person or practitioner does not:

(A) Use a title protected under this subchapter;

(B) Represent or assume the character or appearance of a licensee of this subchapter; or

(C) Otherwise use a name, title, or other designation that indicates or implies that the person is a licensee of this subchapter.

17-108-105. Title protection.

(a) A licensee shall use the title "naturopathic physician" or "naturopathic doctor" and the recognized abbreviation "N.D.".

(b) A licensee has the exclusive right to use the following terms in reference to the licensee's self:

(1) "Naturopathic physician";

(2) "Naturopathic doctor";

(3) "Doctor of naturopathic medicine";

(4) "Doctor of naturopathy";

(5) "N.D.";

(6) "ND";

(7) "NMD"; and

(8) "N.M.D.".

(c) An individual represents the individual's self to be a naturopathic physician or a naturopathic doctor when the individual uses or adopts any of the terms in subdivisions (b)(1)-(8) of this section in reference to the individual's self.

(d)(1) An individual shall not represent the individual's self to the public as a naturopathic physician, naturopathic doctor, a doctor of naturopathic medicine, or a doctor of naturopathy, or as being otherwise authorized to practice naturopathic medicine in the state, unless the individual is licensed under this subchapter.

(2) An individual who is not licensed under this subchapter is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor if he or she:

(A) Holds himself or herself out as a naturopathic physician or naturopathic doctor;

(B) Uses any combination or abbreviation of the term "naturopathic physician" or "naturopathic doctor" indicating or implying that he or she is a naturopathic physician or naturopathic doctor; or

(C) Acts as a naturopathic physician without being licensed by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathic.

17-108-106. Approved naturopathic medical school.

(a) The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall establish, by rule, guidelines for an approved naturopathic medical school and specifications for the education of naturopathic physicians in this state.

(b) The guidelines established under subsection (a) of this section shall include that the approved naturopathic medical school shall require at a minimum:

(1) Graduation from:

(A) A naturopathic medical education program in the United States providing the degree of Doctor of Naturopathy or Doctor of Naturopathic

Medicine, that:

(i) Offers graduate-level, full-time didactic, and supervised clinical training;

(ii) Is accredited or has achieved candidacy status for accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or an equivalent federally recognized accrediting body for naturopathic medical programs also recognized by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy; and

(iii) Is an institution of higher education or part of an institution of higher education that is either accredited or is a candidate for accreditation by a regional or national institutional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Secretary of Education;

(B) A degree-granting institution of higher education that, before the existence of the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education, offered a full-time, structured curriculum in basic sciences and supervised patient care comprising a doctoral naturopathic medical education requiring not less than one hundred thirty-two (132) weeks of coursework to be completed within a period of not less than thirty-five (35) months, that was reputable and in good standing in the judgment of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy and which, if still in existence, has current programmatic accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or a federally recognized equivalent accrediting agency;

(C) A diploma-granting, degree-equivalent institution of higher education located in Canada that, before the existence of the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education, had provincial approval for participation in government-funded student aid programs, offered a full-time, structured curriculum in basic sciences and supervised patient care comprising a doctoral naturopathic medical education requiring not less than one hundred thirty-two (132) weeks of coursework to be completed within a period of not less than thirty (30) months, was reputable and in good standing in the judgment of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy, and, if still in existence, has current programmatic accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or a federally recognized equivalent accrediting agency, and currently has provincial approval for participation in government-funded student aid programs; or

(D) A diploma-granting, degree-equivalent institution of higher education located in Canada that has provincial approval for participation in government-funded student aid programs, offers graduate-level, full-time didactic, and supervised clinical training, and is accredited or has achieved candidacy status for accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or an equivalent federally recognized accrediting body for naturopathic medical programs also recognized by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy; and

(2) Successful completion of a competency-based national naturopathic medicine licensing examination administered by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners, or an equivalent agency recognized by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy, or, for graduates of approved naturopathic medical programs in the United States before the existence of the Council on

Naturopathic Medical Education, a competency-based state naturopathic medicine licensing examination, or equivalent Canadian provincial licensing examination for the practice of naturopathic medicine approved by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy.

Subchapter 2 — Arkansas State Board of Naturopathic

17-108-201. Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy — Creation.

(a) There is created the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy.

(b)(1)(A) The board shall consist of thirteen (13) members appointed by the Governor for terms of six (6) years.

(B) The Governor shall consider diversity of practice specialties and geographical areas of practice in making appointments to the board.

(2)(A)(i) Ten (10) members shall be qualified, licensed, and active naturopathic physicians appointed by the Governor and shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(ii) At least two (2) members shall be appointed from each of the state's four (4) congressional districts.

(iii) Two (2) members shall be appointed at large.

(B) Congressional district representation required under this subdivision (b)(2) shall be achieved by appointment as vacancies occur.

(3) One (1) member shall be a licensed practicing naturopathic physician in this state and shall be appointed by the Governor and shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(4)(A) Two (2) members of the board shall not be actively engaged in or be retired from the practice of naturopathic medicine.

(B) One (1) member shall represent consumers, and one (1) member shall be sixty (60) years of age or older and shall represent the elderly.

(C) Both shall be appointed from the state at large subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(D) The two (2) positions may not be held by the same person.

(E) Both shall be full voting members but shall not participate in the grading of examinations.

(c)(1) The term of each member shall expire on December 31 of the year designated, and a successor appointee shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate, on or before the expiration date of the term expiring.

(2) A member may not serve on the board for more than two (2) full terms or more than thirteen (13) years.

(d) Vacancies on the board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor within thirty (30) days of the vacancy.

(e) The members of the board shall take the oath prescribed by the Arkansas Constitution for state officers before entering upon the discharge of their duties.

(f)(1) Members of the board may be removed from the office by the Governor:

(A) For good cause under § 25-16-804;

(B) For cause including dishonorable or unprofessional conduct, abuse of authority, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance; or

(C) For any reason that would justify probation, suspension, or revocation of a license to practice naturopathic medicine.

(2) A member of the board shall not be involved in the investigation except to cooperate with the investigation as required by the investigator.

17-108-202. Organization and proceedings.

(a)(1) Within thirty (30) days after their appointment, the members of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall meet and organize by electing a chair, vice chair, and treasurer.

(2) The Treasurer of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall give bond in such amount as may be designated by the board, which may be increased or decreased from time to time, conditioned for the faithful disbursement and accounting of all moneys coming into his or her hands as the treasurer.

(b) The board shall hold its regular meetings as established by rule of the board and shall have the power to call and hold special meetings at such times and places as deemed necessary.

17-108-203. Powers and duties.

The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall:

(1) Regulate the licensure of naturopathic physicians and determine the hours of continuing education units required for maintaining licensure as a naturopathic physician;

(2) Prescribe the manner in which records of examinations and treatments shall be kept and maintained;

(3) Establish:

(A) Standards for professional responsibility and conduct;

(B) Criteria for advertising or promotional materials;

(C) Continuing education hours and content;

(D) Standards for the state jurisprudence examination;

(E) Schedules for providing licensing examinations and for the issuance of examination results;

(F) Procedures and standards for reviewing licensing examination scores;

(G) Procedures for reviewing transcripts demonstrating completion of an approved naturopathic medical school;

(H) Requirements for issuance and renewal of licenses; and

(I) Any other matter necessary to implement this chapter;

(4) Identify disciplinary actions and circumstances that require disciplinary action;

(5) Develop a means to provide information to all naturopathic physicians in the state;

(6) Provide for:

(A) The investigation of complaints against naturopathic physicians or persons holding themselves out as naturopathic physicians in the state;

(B) The publication of information for the public about naturopathic physicians and the practice of naturopathic medicine in the state; and

(C) An orderly process for reinstatement of a license; and

(7) Create and maintain a list of approved naturopathic medical schools that meet statutory requirements under this chapter.

Subchapter 3 — Licensure

17-108-301. Qualifications for licensure.

The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall license an applicant who:

(1) Submits, in accordance with rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy, the following items to the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy:

(A) An application for licensure developed by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy and submitted in accordance with rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy;

(B) An application fee submitted in an amount and manner established by rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy;

(C) Evidence that the applicant has:

(i) Graduated from an approved naturopathic medical school;

(ii) Successful completed of a competency-based national naturopathic medicine licensing examination; and

(iii) Passed a state jurisprudence examination that meets standards established in rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy; and

(D) Evidence of professional liability insurance with policy limits not less than prescribed by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy;

(2) Is determined by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy to be physically and mentally capable of safely practicing naturopathic medicine with or without reasonable accommodation; and

(3) Has not had a license to practice naturopathic medicine or other healthcare license, registration, or certificate refused, revoked, or suspended by any other jurisdiction for reasons that relate to the applicant's ability to skillfully and safely practice naturopathic medicine unless that license, registration, or certification has been restored to good standing by that jurisdiction.

17-108-302. Scope of practice.

A licensee may practice naturopathic medicine to provide primary care in alignment with naturopathic medical education to:

(1) Perform physical examinations;

(2) Order laboratory examinations;

(3) Order diagnostic imaging studies;

(4) Interpret the results of laboratory examinations for diagnostic purposes;

(5) Order and, based on a radiologist's report, take action on diagnostic imaging studies in a manner consistent with naturopathic training;

(6) Prescribe, administer, dispense, and order food, extracts of food, nutraceuticals, vitamins, amino acids, minerals, enzymes, botanicals and their extracts, botanical medicines, homeopathic medicines, all dietary supplements, and nonprescription drugs as defined by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, 21 U.S.C. § 301 et seq., as existing on January 1, 2025;

(7) Administer intramuscular, intravenous, subcutaneous, intra-articular, and intradermal injections of substances appropriate to naturopathic medicine;

(8) Use routes of administration that include oral, nasal, auricular, ocular, rectal, vaginal, transdermal, intradermal, subcutaneous, intravenous, intra-articular, and intramuscular consistent with the education and training of a naturopathic physician;

(9) Perform naturopathic therapeutic medicine;

(10) Employ the use of naturopathic therapy;

(11) Use therapeutic devices, barrier contraception, and durable medical equipment; and

(12) Perform minor office procedures.

17-108-303. Prohibitions.

A naturopathic physician shall not:

(1) Perform surgery outside of the scope of minor office procedures permitted in the employment of naturopathic therapy;

(2) Use general or spinal anesthetics;

(3) Administer ionizing radioactive substances for therapeutic purposes;

(4) Perform a surgical procedure:

(A) Using a laser device; or

(B) Involving any of the following areas of the body that extend beyond superficial tissue:

(i) Eye;

(ii) Ear;

(iii) Tendon;

(iv) Nerves;

(v) Veins; or

(vi) Artery;

(5) Perform a surgical abortion;

(6) Treat any lesion suspected of malignancy or requiring surgical removal; or

(7) Perform acupuncture.

17-108-304. License expiration and renewal — Denial and revocation — Continuing education.

(a) A license issued or renewed under this chapter shall expire two (2) years following its issuance or renewal.

(b) The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy may renew the license of any naturopathic physician who, upon the expiration of his or her license:

(1) Has submitted an application for renewal;

(2) Has paid the renewal fee established by rules of the board;

(3) Meets the qualifications for licensure under this subchapter and rules of the board; and

(4) Meets the continuing education requirements established by the board.

(c) The board shall grant an opportunity for a hearing to applicants and licensees for whom the board intends to refuse to issue or renew a license, or whose license the board proposes to revoke or suspend.

17-108-305. Display of license.

A naturopathic physician shall display his or her license in his or her place of business in a location clearly visible to his or her patients and shall also display evidence of the naturopathic physician having completed an approved naturopathic medical school.

17-108-306. Referral requirement.

A naturopathic physician shall refer to a physician licensed to practice in the state any patient whose medical condition is determined, at the time of evaluation or treatment, to be beyond the scope of practice of the naturopathic physician.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. TEMPORARY LANGUAGE. Issuance of first licenses.

On or before December 1, 2025, the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall issue licenses to those applicants who have met the requirements of this act and board rules promulgated in accordance with this act."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 144 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 144

Amend Senate Bill No.144 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 11 through 14, and substitute the following:
"THE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS TO ENTER INTO COUNTY JAIL-STATE INMATE CLOSE-TO-HOME SENTENCING PARTNERSHIPS WITH CERTAIN COUNTIES TO CONSTRUCT, EXPAND, OR IMPROVE A FACILITY TO HOUSE INMATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"CONCERNING THE BACKLOG OF INMATES AWAITING TRANSFER TO THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION; AND TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS TO ENTER INTO COUNTY JAIL- STATE INMATE CLOSE-TO-HOME SENTENCING PARTNERSHIPS."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 28, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

12-28-110. Facility to house county jail backlog.

(a) The Board of Corrections may purchase, fund, construct, expand, or improve a facility to house inmates sentenced to the Division of Correction who are awaiting transfer to a prison:

(1) In a county that is one (1) of the eight (8) counties that contribute the most inmates to the total inmate population in the custody of the division; or

(2) Upon the approval of the quorum court of the county, in a county that adjoins one (1) of the eight (8) counties that contribute the most inmates to the

total inmate population in the custody of the division.

(b) The division shall determine the eight (8) eligible counties under subsection (a) of this section based upon the total inmate population that existed as of January 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 41, Subchapter 5, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

12-41-512. County jail-state inmate close-to-home sentencing partnership.

(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the Board of Corrections and one (1) or more county may enter into a county jail-state inmate close-to-home sentencing partnership agreement to fund, construct, expand, or improve a facility to house inmates of the jail or to house inmates sentenced to the Division of Correction who are awaiting transfer to a prison.

(b) An agreement under subsection (a) of this section is subject to the following requirements:

(1)(A) At least one (1) county entering the county jail-state inmate close-to-home sentencing partnership agreement shall be:

(i) One (1) of the eight (8) counties that contribute the most inmates to the total population in the custody of the division; or

(ii) A county that adjoins one (1) of the eight (8) counties that contribute the most inmates to the total population in the custody of the division.

(B) The division shall determine the eight (8) eligible counties based upon the total inmate population that existed as of January 1, 2025;

(2) If more than (1) county enters into the county jail-state inmate close-to-home sentencing partnership agreement, all counties entering the agreement shall adjoin each other; and

(3) The county jail-state inmate close-to-home sentencing partnership agreement shall be approved by a vote of the quorum court of each county entering the agreement.

(c) In addition to any sources of funding provided by law, the costs associated with funding, constructing, expanding, or improving a facility pursuant to a county jail-state inmate close-to-home sentencing partnership agreement under this section may be provided from funds authorized by the General Assembly.

(d) A county jail-state inmate close-to-home sentencing partnership agreement under this section must be approved by the quorum court of a county before June 30, 202

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 144 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 223 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 223

Amend Senate Bill No.223 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 24, delete "this act" and substitute "this act by electronic means or by placement in a handbook, policy manual, or other resource designed to inform students, employees, or parents about policies, procedures, or rights"

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "religious" and substitute "legal religious"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 223 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1180 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1180

Amend House Bill No.1180 as engrossed H2/5/25:

Page 1, line 28, delete "human" and substitute "human fetal"

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "Human" and substitute "Human fetal"

AND

Page 1, line 36, delete "human" and substitute "human fetal"

AND

Page 2, line 5, delete "human" and substitute "human fetal"

AND

Page 2, line 6, delete "fifth" and substitute "sixth"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 7 through 15, and substitute the following:

"(2)(A) The human fetal growth and development discussion required by subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall include:

(i) A high-definition ultrasound video that shows the brain, heart, sex organs, and other vital organs in early fetal development; and

(ii) A video that is at least three (3) minutes in duration that depicts the process of fertilization and every stage of human development inside the uterus and notes significant markers in cell growth and organ development for every significant marker of pregnancy until birth.

(B) The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall promulgate a rule for a list of approved videos under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section, including without limitation the "Meet Baby Olivia" video developed by Live Action, as it existed on January 1, 2025."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 17 through 20, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-18-703(a), concerning the establishment of school-based health clinics by school districts, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1)(A)(i) No school-based health clinic may be established in a public school until requested by resolution by the school district board of directors, and no child shall receive school-based health clinic services without parental consent.

(ii) Parental consent to contraceptive services and condom distribution shall be specific, in writing, and maintained in the student's health records.

(B)(i) All school-based clinics shall maintain accurate records of the distributing and prescribing of contraceptives and condoms.

(ii) The number of pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases among students in the schools with school-based clinics shall be transmitted annually to the school district board of directors.

(iii) Records maintained under this section are part of the confidential medical record of the student.

(iv) Numerical or statistical data required to be maintained under this subsection may not be released in a manner that reveals the identity of or any other information contained in the file of the student.

(2) If the board of directors establishes a school-based health clinic, the board of directors shall retain absolute control over the operations and programs offered by the clinic.

(3)(A) Schools that offer sex education in school-based health"

AND

Page 2, line 23, delete "human" and substitute "human fetal"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1180 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 117, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 144, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 223, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 144 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 223 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1180, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1180 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 224, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279, BY REPRESENTATIVE LYNCH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT STONE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279, BY REPRESENTATIVE LYNCH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1383, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1411, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1412, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 181, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 87, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1196, BY REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1418, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1353, BY REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 247
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ABSENTEE VOTER INTEGRITY ACT OF 2025; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COUNTING ABSENTEE BALLOTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 247 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 248
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967 CONCERNING PERSONNEL RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 248 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 249
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES RELATED TO FORESTRY; TO AMEND THE POWERS OF THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 249 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 250
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PEST CONTROL LAW; TO REASSIGN CERTAIN DUTIES OF THE STATE PLANT BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 250 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 251
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS TRAILS COUNCIL; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ARKANSAS TRAILS COUNCIL; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM ON THE ARKANSAS TRAILS COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 251 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 142 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 142

Amend Senate Bill No.142 as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 26, delete "activities; and" and substitute "activities; ~~and~~"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 29 and 30, and substitute the following:

"personal electronic device during an emergency; and

(6) Exempt the possession or use of a personal electronic device during the school day if the personal electronic device is issued to a student by a public school district or an open-enrollment public charter school for use during the school day.

(d)(1) A policy adopted and implemented under this section may include an exemption of the possession or use of a personal electronic device by a student during a special event that occurs during the school day.

(2) The division shall promulgate rules defining what constitutes a special event that occurs during the school day.

(e) A policy adopted and implemented under this section shall not"

AND

Page 3, line 32, delete "is included in the" and substitute "is:"

AND

Page 3, delete line 33, and substitute the following:

"(1) Included in the student's:"

AND

Page 3, line 34, delete "(1) Individualized" and substitute "(A) Individualized"

AND

Page 4, line 1, delete "(2) Plan" and substitute "(B) Plan"

AND

Page 4, delete line 2, and substitute the following:

"of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 794, as it existed on January 1, 2025; or

(2) Required for a student who is enrolled in an endorsed concurrent enrollment course at an institution of higher education in order to utilize two-factor authentication to access course work and resources for the endorsed concurrent enrollment course."

AND

Page 4, line 3, delete "(e) Each" and substitute "(f) Each"

AND

Page 4, line 7, delete "(f) A public" and substitute "(g) A public"

AND

Page 4, line 12, delete "(g) A public" and substitute "(h) A public"

AND

Page 4, line 17, delete "(h) The" and substitute "(i) The"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 142, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in, by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dees, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 142 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 142

As Engrossed: H2/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS DEES, HESTER, J. BOYD, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, R. MURDOCK J. PETTY, STONE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE BELL TO BELL, NO CELL ACT; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL DISCIPLINE POLICIES WITH REGARD TO STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 142 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 142. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Hickey.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Payton.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, C. Penzo, Tucker.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 142 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1049 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1049

Amend House Bill No. 1049 as engrossed: S2/13/25:

Delete Representatives Evans, Tosh, McGrew, Lundstrum, Andrews, Barker, Beaty Jr., Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, R. Burkes, Joey Carr, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Duffield, Duke, Eaves, Furman, Gonzales Worthen, Gramlich, Hawk, Holcomb, Hollowell, Jean, L. Johnson, Ladyman, Long, Lynch, Maddox, J. Mayberry, McAlindon, McClure, M. McElroy, McNair, S. Meeks, Milligan, J. Moore, Painter, Pearce, Puryear, Ray, R. Scott Richardson, Richmond, Rye, Schulz, M. Shepherd, Steimel, Unger, Vaught, Walker, Warren, Wooten as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Add Representatives Tosh, McGrew, Lundstrum, Andrews, Barker, Beaty Jr., Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, R. Burkes, Joey Carr, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Duffield, Duke, Eaves, Evans, Furman, Gonzales, Gramlich, Hawk, Holcomb, Hollowell, Jean, L. Johnson, Ladyman, Long, Lynch, Maddox, J. Mayberry, McAlindon, McClure, M. McElroy, McNair, S. Meeks, Milligan, J. Moore, Painter, Pearce, Puryear, Ray, R. Scott Richardson, Richmond, Rye, Schulz, M. Shepherd, Steimel, Unger, Vaught, Walker, Warren, Wooten as cosponsors of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Amend House Bill No. 1049 as engrossed.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 12 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 12
As Engrossed: S2/3/25 S2/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF *1967; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING REDISTRICTING BY THE BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT; TO ESTABLISH A PENALTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senator King requested Senate Bill No. 12 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator J. Boyd, Senate Bill No. 139 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 139
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE AGREEMENT IS UNENFORCEABLE FOR CERTAIN LICENSED MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 139 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Love, C. Penzo.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Flowers, Gilmore, King.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Bryant, Payton.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.139 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Hester requested leave for Senator Flowers. Leave granted.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 202 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 202

As Engrossed: S2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HICKEY

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATUTORY BONDING REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 202 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey moved that the body roil the vote on Senate Bill No. 202. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey , Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 202 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator K. Hammer, Senate Bill No. 209 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 209
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO DISQUALIFY SIGNATURES OBTAINED BY A CANVASSER UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 209 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer requested Senate Bill No. 209 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 210 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 210
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE REQUIRE EXAMINING OF AUTHORITATIVE DOCUMENTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE THE SIGNER TO READ THE BALLOT TITLE OF THE PETITION IN THE PRESENCE OF A CANVASSER; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 210 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer requested Senate Bill No. 210 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 226 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 226
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST PREVENTION ACT; TO MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS RELATED TO SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 226 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 226. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dotson.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.226 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator K. Hammer, Senate Bill No. 228 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 228
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING A WAIVER FOR A RENEWED BACKGROUND CHECK GRANTED BY A BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AN EDUCATIONAL ENTITY TO AN APPLICANT FOR A NONLICENSED STAFF POSITION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 228 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 228. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Scott.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 228 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1060 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1060
As Engrossed: H1/15/25 H1/28/25 H2/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO REVISE THE INSTRUCTION PROVIDED ON THE FAILURE OF COMMUNIST AND AUTOCRATIC SYSTEMS AND TO REINFORCE IN REQUIRED INSTRUCTION THE RESILIENCY OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL REPUBLIC SYSTEM ADOPTED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1060 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1060. Motion carried.

A pair was announced at the desk.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE February 18, 2025

PAIR VOTE

House Bill No. 1060

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Payton.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1060 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1118 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1118

As Engrossed: H2/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE MANAGEMENT OF PREMIUM TAXES UNDER THE ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE PENSION REVIEW BOARD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1118 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1118. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1118, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1118 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1119 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1119
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS REGARDING DELINQUENT PAYMENTS BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1119 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1119. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1119, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1119 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1181 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1181

As Engrossed: H1/29/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FULL PRACTICE AUTHORITY OF A CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE TO ALLOW ADMITTING PRIVILEGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1181 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1181. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Hickey, Irvin, Scott.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1181, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English , Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Hickey, Irvin, Scott.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1181 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1183 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1183

As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/29/25 S2/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE *REGISTERED* DIALYSIS PATIENT CARE TECHNICIAN ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1183 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1183.

Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1183 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Leding, House Bill No. 1189 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1189
As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/5/25 H2/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND NOVICE TEACHER MENTORING REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1189 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1189.

Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: McKee.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1189 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1221 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1221
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVES, REFERENDA, AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1221 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1221.

Motion carried.

A pair was announced at the desk.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE February 18, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO.1221

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Payton.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1221, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Payton.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1221 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1222 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1222

As Engrossed: H2/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO REVIEW BALLOT TITLES FOR CONFLICTS WITH THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND FEDERAL STATUTES; TO PROHIBIT THE SUBMISSION OF CONFLICTING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1222 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1222.

Motion carried.

A pair was announced at the desk.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE February 18, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1222

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Clark, Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Payton.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1222 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1315 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1315

As Engrossed: H2/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TORRES, ET AL

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A BLOOD TYPE DESIGNATION TO BE PLACED ON A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1315 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1315.

Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1315 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1427 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1427
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PILKINGTON, ET AL
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE HEALTHY MOMS, HEALTHY BABIES ACT; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO IMPROVE MATERNAL HEALTH IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1427 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1427.

Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Dees, Dotson, Hickey, Love, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 7

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1427 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1049, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 18, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on February 18, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 146 - ACT 100
Senate Bill No. 77 - ACT 103
Senate Bill No. 14 - ACT 114
Senate Bill No. 102 - ACT 115
Senate Bill No. 3 - ACT 116
Senate Bill No. 78 - ACT 117
Senate Bill No. 89 - ACT 120

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 142, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 11:35 a.m. delivered it to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 142

RECEIVED the above paper from the Secretary of the Senate this eighteenth day of February, 2025 at 11:52 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 220, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 229, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 230, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1287, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1286, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1387, BY REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

Senate Bill No. 23 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 28 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 31 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 65 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 74 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 116 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 199 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE BILL NO. 252
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF HEALTH RISKS CAUSED BY VAPOR PRODUCTS AND E-LIQUID PRODUCTS; TO PREVENT CONTAMINATION, ADULTERATION, OR INCLUSION OF INGREDIENTS OR OTHER SUBSTANCES IN VAPOR PRODUCTS OR E-LIQUID PRODUCTS THAT MIGHT CAUSE HARM TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ARKANSAS YOUTH; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 252 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 253
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A MANUFACTURED HOME UNIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 253 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 254
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RURAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PROPERTY IN KIND"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 254 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 255
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES C. COOPER, ROSE, LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "DRUG" WITHIN THE FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 255 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE RECESSES OF EITHER THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OR THE SENATE OR BOTH FOR PERIODS OF FOUR CONSECUTIVE DAYS OR LONGER.

Senate Resolution No. 26 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1087
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - OIL AND GAS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1087 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1099
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1099 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1100
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PROVIDING PAYMENT OF CLAIMS TO SURVIVING SPOUSES AND/OR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF POLICEMEN, FIREMEN, CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND OTHER SPECIFIED STATE EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE OFFICIAL LINE OF DUTY, AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF SMALL CONTROVERSIAL AND NON-CONTROVERSIAL CLAIMS WHICH HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS COMMISSION; PROVIDING PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1100 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1104
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING - DIVISION OF LABOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1104 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1114
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS AND FOR DISTRIBUTING PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OR REDEMPTION OF TAX DELINQUENT LAND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1114 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1151
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES AND FOR GRANTS AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1151 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1235
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1235 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 139
SENATE BILL NO. 202
SENATE BILL NO. 226
SENATE BILL NO. 228

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 23
SENATE BILL NO. 28
SENATE BILL NO. 31
SENATE BILL NO. 65
SENATE BILL NO. 74
SENATE BILL NO. 116
SENATE BILL NO. 199

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1087
HOUSE BILL NO. 1099
HOUSE BILL NO. 1100
HOUSE BILL NO. 1104
HOUSE BILL NO. 1114
HOUSE BILL NO. 1151
HOUSE BILL NO. 1235

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1060
HOUSE BILL NO. 1181
HOUSE BILL NO. 1189
HOUSE BILL NO. 1222
HOUSE BILL NO. 1315
HOUSE BILL NO. 1427

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1118
HOUSE BILL NO. 1119
HOUSE BILL NO.1221

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1183 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 19, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 19, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DISMANG, DOTSON, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator McKee requested leave for Senators Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers and Murdock. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator McKee.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 135

Amend Senate Bill No. 135 as engrossed S2/11/25:

Page 1, line 28, delete "If the rate" and substitute "If in an odd-numbered year the rate"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 12 and 13, and substitute the following:
"(1) Appoint by resolution a qualified elector of the school district or appoint the county board of election commissioners to designate a qualified elector of the school district to cast a ballot for the"

AND

Page 2, line 14, delete "taxation" and substitute "annual ad valorem property tax"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 23 through 25, and substitute the following:
"the place, date, and time in which the designated qualified elector under subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)(b)(1) of this section shall cast"

AND

Page 2, line 26, delete "taxation" and substitute "annual ad valorem property tax"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 27 through 29, and substitute the following:
"(2) If the designated qualified elector under subdivision (a)(3)(A)(ii)(b)(1) of this section is"

AND

Page 2, delete line 32, and substitute the following:
"section, then the county board of election commissioners shall designate a qualified elector of the school district to"

AND

Page 2, line 33, delete "taxation" and substitute "annual ad valorem property tax"

AND

Page 3, line 3, delete "date" and substitute "date if the unchanged rate of taxation is the only issue to be voted on"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 5 through 9, and substitute the following:
"election, the county board of election commissioners shall place the unchanged rate of the annual ad valorem property tax on the ballot of all qualified electors of the school district."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 135 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 188 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENE BILL NO. 188

Amend Senate Bill No. 188 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Ray

AND

Page 2, delete lines 7 through 13, and substitute the following:

"(e)(1) After a proposed measure has been certified by the Attorney General, within five (5) business days of soliciting or otherwise gathering signatures for a proposed measure, the sponsor shall provide the following information to the Secretary of State:

(A) The full text of the proposed measure;

(B) The certified ballot title for the proposed measure;

(C) The certified popular name for the proposed measure; and

(D) The letter from the Attorney General certifying the proposed measure."

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "subdivision (e)(1)" and substitute "subdivision (e)(1)(A)-(C)"

AND

Page 2, line 19, delete "subdivision (e)(1)" and substitute "subdivision (e)(1)(A)-(C)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 22 through 25, and substitute the following:

"(C) The Secretary of State may remove the information provided under subdivision (e)(1)(A)-(C) of this section from the Secretary of State's website if:

(i) The proposed measure fails to qualify for the ballot for lack of signatures;

(ii) The sponsor of the proposed measure is not actively obtaining signatures for the proposed measure and requests that the Secretary of State remove the information from the Secretary of State's website;

(iii) The proposed measure has been removed from the ballot by:

(a) The Arkansas Supreme Court; or

(b) An Arkansas circuit court and the time for filing the notice of appeal has expired; or

(iv) The Secretary of State independently determines that the language submitted by the sponsor does not accurately reflect a proposed measure certified by the Attorney General or that is actively being circulated for signatures to the people of Arkansas."

AND

Page 3, delete line 1, and substitute the following:
"manner that would not be misleading.

(g) If the Secretary of State independently determines that a proposed measure is actively being circulated for signatures to the people of Arkansas and the sponsor has not submitted the information required under subdivision (e)(1) of this section to the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State may obtain the information from the Attorney General and post the information required under subdivision (e)(1)(A)-(C) of this section on the Secretary of State's website.

(h) If the sponsor of a proposed measure fails to comply with this section, that failure shall not contribute in any way to a determination by the Secretary of State that the proposed measure, or any individual signature submitted to the Secretary of State in connection with the proposed measure, is insufficient for any reason."

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "~~(f)~~(g)" and substitute "~~(f)~~(i)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 188 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 239 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 239

Amend Senate Bill No. 239 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Dees

AND

Add Representative Gramlich

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 239 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1180 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1180

Amend House Bill No. 1180 as engrossed S2/18/25:

Page 2, delete lines 7 through 19, and substitute the following:

"(2)(A) The human fetal growth and development discussion required by subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall include:

(i) A high-definition ultrasound video that shows the brain, heart, sex organs, and other vital organs in early fetal development; and

(ii) A video that is at least three (3) minutes in duration that depicts the process of fertilization and every stage of human development inside the uterus and notes significant markers in cell growth and organ development for every significant marker of pregnancy until birth.

(B) The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall promulgate a rule for a list of approved videos under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section, including without limitation the "Meet Baby Olivia" video developed by Live Action, as it existed on January 1, 2025."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1180 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 135, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 188, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 239, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 188 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 239 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1180, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1180 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 234, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1292, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1355, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1356, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1357, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1358, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1359, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1360, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1361, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1362, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1363, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1364, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1407, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1437, BY REPRESENTATIVE DUFFIELD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1007, BY REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 256
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CORPORATE FRANCHISE TAX ACT OF 1979; TO REDUCE THE MINIMUM FRANCHISE TAX FOR CERTAIN CORPORATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 256 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 257
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; TO EXTEND THE APPEAL PERIOD FOR PROVIDERS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO REQUIRE COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION IN NOTICES OF ADVERSE DECISIONS; TO MANDATE PUBLICATION OF ALL POLICIES, PROTOCOLS, AND REQUIREMENTS USED IN MAKING AN ADVERSE DECISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 257 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 258
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS DIGITAL RESPONSIBILITY, SAFETY, AND TRUST ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 258 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 259
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARKANSAS WATERWAYS COMMISSION TO THE GOVERNOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 259 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS, RANCHERS, AND FORESTERS FOR THEIR VITAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECURITY AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND THE NATION AND FOR PRODUCING THE FOOD AND FIBER THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTH AND SECURITY OF THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 27 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Resolution No. 15 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 15
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR RETIRED DIRECTOR OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LORIE TUDOR FOR HER FORTY-ONE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND TO CONGRATULATE HER ON HER RETIREMENT.

Senate Bill No. 15 was read second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer the Senate recessed until 1:53 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 87 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 87

Amend Senate Bill No. 87 as engrossed S2/10/25:

Page 2, line 8, delete "representing the unincorporated areas" and substitute "representing any part of an unincorporated area"

AND

Page 2, line 9, delete "Each member of the county planning board" and substitute "At least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members of the county planning board"

AND

Page 2, line 18, delete "and flagrantly"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 87 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1286 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1286

Amend House Bill No. 1286 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. Boyd

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1286 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1387 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1387

Amend House Bill No. 1387 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 27, and substitute the following:
"post contact information on the websites of the public water authority and the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission that are"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1387 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 181 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 181

As Engrossed: S2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIBRARY LAW; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE LIBRARIAN; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 181 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 181. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Tucker.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.181 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 220 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 220
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SECURITIES ACT; TO CLARIFY EXEMPT TRANSACTIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS SECURITIES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 220 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 220. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 220 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 224 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 224

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR STONE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING NATURAL ORGANIC FERTILIZERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 224 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 224. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 224 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 229 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 229
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 229 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 229. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 229 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 230 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 230
As Engrossed: S2/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS TRUST INSTITUTIONS ACT; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TRUST INSTITUTIONS ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 230 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 230. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 230 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Rice, House Bill No. 1196 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1196

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1196 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1196. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1196 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1287 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1287

As Engrossed: H2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO DEFINE "DOWNCODE" UNDER THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING ENTITIES OF DOWNCODING CERTAIN HEALTHCARE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1287 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1287. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 28
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1287 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1353 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1353
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, ET AL
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, J. BOYD, CALDWELL, J. ENGLISH, IRVIN, M. JOHNSON, RICE, J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE A VISION BENEFIT MANAGER; TO AMEND THE VISION CARE PLAN ACT OF 2015; TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1353 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1353. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Hickey.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1353 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1383 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1383
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND ACT; TO MODIFY THE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENT FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1383 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1383. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Irvin.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1383 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1411 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1411
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION; TO CLARIFY THE REGULATION OF CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION; TO ESTABLISH THE CARBON DIOXIDE STORAGE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1411 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1411. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Flippo, Gilmore, Hickey, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 20

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Hester, Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Hammer, Hill, Irvin, Stubblefield.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1411 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1412 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1412

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY REGULATION OF PIPELINE SAFETY AUTHORIZATION FOR TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS LIQUIDS OR CARBON DIOXIDE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1412 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1412. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1412 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Rice, House Bill No. 1418 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1418
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR RICE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF KNIVES OR KNIFE-MAKING COMPONENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1418 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1418. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1418 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 94 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 94 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 94

Amend Senate Bill 94 as engrossed S1/27/25:

Page 2, delete line 8, and substitute the following:
"vehicle at the licensed location.

(3) A new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new low speed vehicle dealer shall:

(A) Provide:

(i) Service of an all-terrain vehicle or low speed vehicle sold by the new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new low speed vehicle dealer; or

(ii) To the purchaser of the all-terrain vehicle or low speed vehicle the name of a service provider within forty (40) miles of the new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new low speed vehicle dealer that will service the all-terrain vehicle or low speed vehicle sold by the new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new low speed vehicle dealer to the purchaser;

(B) Provide a warranty or a manufacturer's warranty on an all-terrain vehicle or low speed vehicle sold by the new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new

low speed vehicle dealer;

(C) Coordinate with a warranty service provider within forty (40) miles of the new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new low speed vehicle dealer to service the warranty or manufacturer's warranty provided under subdivision (e)(3)(B) of this section;

(D) Submit the information concerning a service provider or warranty service provider identified under subdivision (e)(3)(A)(ii) or subdivision (e)(3)(C) of this section to the Arkansas Motor Vehicle commission annually during the renewal of the license for the new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new low speed vehicle dealer; and

(E) Provide information concerning a service provider or warranty service provider identified under subdivision (e)(3)(A)(ii) or subdivision (e)(3)(C) of this section to the purchaser of an all-terrain vehicle or low speed vehicle sold by the new all-terrain vehicle dealer or new low speed vehicle dealer.

(4) The Arkansas Motor Vehicle commission shall promulgate rules to implement this section."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 94 was ordered engrossed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote:

Batched Bills

HOUSE BILL NO. 1087
HOUSE BILL NO. 1099
HOUSE BILL NO. 1100
HOUSE BILL NO. 1104
HOUSE BILL NO. 1114
HOUSE BILL NO. 1151
HOUSE BILL NO. 1235

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on the batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1087 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1087
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - OIL AND GAS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1087 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1087, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1087 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1099 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1099
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1099 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1099, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1099 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1100 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1100
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PROVIDING PAYMENT OF CLAIMS TO SURVIVING SPOUSES AND/OR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF POLICEMEN, FIREMEN, CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND OTHER SPECIFIED STATE EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE OFFICIAL LINE OF DUTY, AS PERSCRIBED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF SMALL CONTROVERSIAL AND NON-CONTROVERSIAL CLAIMS WHICH HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS COMMISSION; PROVIDING PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1100 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1100, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1100 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1104 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1104
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING - DIVISION OF LABOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1104 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1104 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1104 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1114 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1114
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS AND FOR DISTRIBUTING PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OR REDEMPTION OF TAX DELINQUENT LAND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1114 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1114 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1114 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1151 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1151
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES AND FOR GRANTS AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1151 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1151 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1151 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1235 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1235
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1235 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1235 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1235 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 87, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1286, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1387, BY REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER,
BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 94, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 94 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Senate Bill No. 50 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 134 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 137 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 170 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 171 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 172 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 173 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 174 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 175 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 176 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 177 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 180 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 213 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 214 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE BILL NO. 260
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF COURT FINES, FEES, OR COSTS AFTER DEFAULT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 260 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 261
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ON CERTAIN ROADS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ACCESS OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES TO UNPAVED ROADS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 261 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1154
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENACT THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S GENERAL OMNIBUS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF FEDERAL RETIREMENT PROGRAMS, CONTRIBUTORY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY MEMBERSHIP STATUS, TEMPORARY WAIVERS FOR ELECTRONICALLY REPORTING AND PAYING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OPTION A AND OPTION B ANNUITY ELECTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SURVIVOR BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, RESIDUE DISPOSITIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN A PSHE PLAN, AND OTHER VARIOUS PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1154 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1155
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION OF QUALIFICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS WITH A SERVICE-CONNECTED TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY RATING FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1155 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1156
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY OF A SURVIVING SPOUSE FOR SURVIVOR ANNUITY BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1156 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1157
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATAIVE PERRY
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SURVIVOR ANNUITY BENEFITS FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1157 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1158
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF A DISTRIBUTION OPTION UNDER THE TEACHER DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1158 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1160
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PERMISSIVE SERVICE CREDIT FOR GAP YEAR SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1160 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1161
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING AN ELECTION TO CHANGE ANNUITY OPTIONS WITHIN ONE YEAR OF RETIREMENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1161 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1166
As Engrossed: H1/30/25 H2/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE TYPES OF EPINEPHRINE FOR USE IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1166 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1167
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; TO CLARIFY THAT DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INCLUDES DIABETIC SHOES AND SHOE INSERTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1167 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1254
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSED PSYCHOLOGICAL PRACTITIONER TO PRACTICE INDEPENDENTLY IN THIS STATE; TO REMOVE THE INDEPENDENT PRACTICE PRIVILEGES FROM PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1254 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1256
As Engrossed: H2/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING TO ISSUE A PROVISIONAL LICENSE FOR A LICENSED ASSOCIATE *COUNSELOR AND A LICENSED ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1256 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1258
As Engrossed: H2/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER ACT; TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE CERTIFICATION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1258 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1447
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT A SEPTIC SYSTEM INSTALLER LICENSED UNDER THE ARKANSAS SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS ACT FROM LICENSURE AS A PLUMBER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1447 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1475
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF GREEN LIGHTS BY ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS ON LAMP COLORS; TO AMEND THE COLORS OF LIGHTS THAT MAY BE USED BY EMERGENCY VEHICLES; TO DEFINE A ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE VEHICLE; TO DEFINE WHAT VEHICLES MAY USE OSCILLATING, ROTATING, OR FLASHING LIGHTS OR DEVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1475 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1478
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REGISTRATION OF DISEASE INTERVENTION SPECIALISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1478 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1479
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SCRIVENER'S AFFIDAVITS; TO ALLOW A LICENSED ENGINEER, SURVEYOR, OR NOTARY PUBLIC TO EXECUTE AND RECORD A SCRIVENER'S AFFIDAVIT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1479 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1486
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MARKET VALUE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1486 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1100

HOUSE BILL NO. 1104

HOUSE BILL NO. 1114

HOUSE BILL NO. 1151

HOUSE BILL NO. 1235

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 a.m., February 20, 2025.

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THIRTY-NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 20, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 11:00 o'clock a.m.by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Crowell requested leave for Senators Bryant, Flowers, and Murdock, Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Crowell.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 189

Amend Senate Bill No.189 as originally introduced:

Add Senators Caldwell, Crowell, Flippo, Hill, B. Johnson, M. Johnson, M. McKee, J. Payton, C. Penzo, J. Petty, Rice, J. Scott, Stone, G. Stubblefield, D. Wallace

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 189

Amend Senate Bill No. 189 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Bentley

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 212 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 212

Amend Senate Bill No. 212 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 3, delete "within or outside this state"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 26 through 36

AND

Page 3, delete line 1

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "(e)" and substitute "(d)"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "(f)" and substitute "(e)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 212 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 227

Amend Senate Bill No. 227 as originally introduced:

Add Senators B. Davis, J. Boyd, C. Penzo, G. Stubblefield as cosponsors of this bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 23 through 36, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 25-19-103(6) – (9), concerning the definitions used under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, are amended to read as follows:

(6) ~~"Public meetings"~~ "Public entity" means ~~the meetings of any:~~

(i) A bureau, commission, or agency of the state; ~~or any~~

(ii) A political subdivision of the state, including municipalities, ~~and~~ counties, and boards of education,~~;~~ and ~~all~~

(iii) All other boards, bureaus, commissions, or organizations in the State of Arkansas, except grand juries, supported wholly or in part by public funds or expending public funds;

(7)(A) "Public meeting" means the formal gathering together of a governing body, whether in person or through electronic or telephonic means, of a public entity.

(B) "Public meeting" does not include the gathering together, whether in person or through electronic or telephonic means, of the members of a governing body to discuss the settlement of a cause of action in a court-ordered alternative dispute resolution process, including without limitation a settlement conference or mediation;

~~(7)(A)~~(8)(A) "Public records" means writings, recorded sounds, films, tapes, electronic or computer-based information, or data compilations in any medium required by law to be kept or otherwise kept and that constitute a record of the performance or lack of performance of official functions that are or should be carried out by a public official or employee, a governmental agency, or any other agency or improvement district that is wholly or partially supported by public funds or expending public funds. All records maintained in public offices or by public employees within the scope of their employment shall be presumed to be public records.

(B) "Public records" does not mean software acquired by purchase, lease, or license;

~~(8)~~(9) "Public water system" means all facilities composing a system for the collection, treatment, and delivery of drinking water to the general public, including without limitation reservoirs, pipelines, reclamation facilities, processing facilities, distribution facilities, and regional water distribution districts under The Regional Water Distribution District Act, § 14-116-101 et seq.; and

~~(9)~~(10) "Vulnerability assessment" means an assessment of the vulnerability of a public water system to a terrorist attack or other intentional acts intended to substantially disrupt the ability of the public water system to provide a safe and reliable supply of drinking water as required by the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-188.

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1-4

AND

Page 2, line 9, delete "(10)" and substitute "(11)"

AND

Page 2, line 11, delete "(11)" and substitute "(12)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 12 and 13, and substitute the following:
"employee, or person paid by a public entity and one (1) or more members of the governing body of that public entity to determine:"

AND

Page 3, line 3, delete "deliberation on official business." and substitute "deliberation, if any, on official business."

AND

Page 3, line 4, delete "(b)(1)" and substitute "(b)(1)(A)"

AND

Page 3, delete line 5, and substitute the following:
"furnished to anyone who requests the information.

(B) Unless another notification timeline for the public meeting of a governing body is specified by law, the notification required under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section shall be made at least three (3) days before the public meeting takes place in order that the public may have representatives at the public meeting."

AND

Page 3, line 15, delete "that the public shall have" and substitute "that the public ~~shall~~ may have"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 17 through 20, and substitute the following:

"(3) In addition to the requirements under subdivisions (b)(1) and (2) of this section:

(A) The time, place, and date of a public meeting shall be published online if the governing body or the public entity it governs maintains a website or social media page; and

(B)(i) The governing body shall furnish the most current agenda for a public meeting upon request and shall publish the most current agenda for a

public meeting online if the governing body or the public entity it governs maintains a website or social media page at least three (3) days before a regular public meeting and at least two (2) hours before an emergency or special public meeting.

(ii) The requirement of subdivision (b)(3)(B)(i) of this section does not preclude a governing body from adding items to an agenda after the agenda has been furnished or posted pursuant to subdivision (b)(3)(B)(i) of this section."

AND

Page 3, line 32, delete "~~public agency, department, or office~~ governing" and substitute "public agency, department, or office"

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "body"

AND

Page 4, line 2, delete "~~public agency, department, or office~~ governing" and substitute "public agency, department, or office"

AND

Page 4, line 3, delete "body"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 6 and 7, and substitute the following:

"(B) Discussing how a governing body will respond to an attack on or other breach of the cybersecurity of the public entity governed by the governing body;"

AND

Page 5, line 13, delete "~~public entity~~ governing body" and substitute "public entity"

AND

Page 5, line 24, delete "reasonable access to a public meeting." and substitute "reasonable access to attend a public meeting, including through electronic means, if such electronic means are available for use to the governing body."

AND

Page 5, line 27, delete "A governing body may" and substitute "Except for the governing body of a quorum court, city council, or school district, a governing body may"

AND

Page 5, line 30, delete "~~or~~ and" and substitute "or"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 32 through 36, and substitute the following:

"~~(2)~~(3) ~~If an open public meeting is held under subdivision (e)(1) of this section:~~ If the Governor declares a disaster emergency under the Arkansas Emergency Services Act of 1973, § 12-75-101 et seq., the governing body of a quorum court, city council, or school board may conduct a public meeting through electronic means, including without limitation by:

(A) ~~The public may attend the open public meeting using electronic means; and~~ Telephone;

(B) ~~Notice of the method the public may attend the open public meeting shall be published with the notice of the open public meeting.~~ Video conference; or

(C) Video broadcast.

~~(3)~~(4) ~~Physical presence of the public or of an individual member of the public entity at the open public meeting is not required under this subsection.~~ If a public meeting is held through electronic means under subdivision (e)(2) or (e)(3) of this section:

(A) The public may attend the public meeting using electronic means;

(B) Notice of the method the public may attend the public meeting shall be published with the notice of the public meeting;

(C) Members of the governing body who participate in the public meeting through electronic means rather than attend in person may not receive mileage or per diem for attending the public meeting; and

(D) Votes by members of the governing body who participate in the public meeting through electronic means shall be clearly cast, such that other members of the governing body and the public can observe and understand how each member voted.

~~(4)~~(5) The ~~open~~ public meeting shall be recorded in the format in which it is conducted, including without limitation:

(A) A sound-only recording;

(B) A video recording with sound and picture; ~~or~~ and

(C) A digital or analog broadcast capable of being recorded.

~~(5)~~(6) A public entity shall maintain the records of ~~an open~~ a public

meeting held under this subsection for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of the ~~open~~ public meeting."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 13

AND

Page 6, line 15, delete "communication, whether oral or written, that:" and substitute "communication, whether oral, written, electronic, or otherwise, that:"

AND

Page 6, line 17, delete "(2)" and substitute "(2)(A)"

AND

Page 6, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"be taken by the governing body.

(B) It is not a violation of subdivision (f)(2)(A) of this section if a member of a governing body communicates information that is background or otherwise non-decisional in nature to one (1) or more members of the same governing body."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 23 through 25, and substitute the following:

"(h)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (h)(2) of this section, if a circuit court finds under § 25-19-107 that a governing body violated this section, the circuit court may invalidate any action the governing body took at the unlawful public meeting."

AND

Page 6, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"executive session at the conclusion of the executive session.

(i)(1)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (i)(1)(B) of this section, a governing body may cure an action that violates this section if, after taking the action that violated this section, the governing body, in a manner that complies with this section:

(i) Holds a public meeting;

(ii) Publicly acknowledges and discusses at the public meeting the action that violated this section; and

(iii) Takes other action, if necessary, to correct the violation.

(B) Subdivision (i)(1)(A) of this section does not apply to a violation of subdivision (f)(1) of this section.

(2)(A) If the governing body cures the action under subsection (i)(1) of this section that would be subject to invalidation or declared void before any lawsuit is filed concerning such action, then attorney's fees shall not be recoverable for such a lawsuit.

(B) If the governing body cures the action under subdivision (i)(1) of this section that would be subject to being invalidated or declared void after a lawsuit is filed concerning such action, then attorney's fees may be recoverable under § 25-19-107.

(3)(A) Any lawsuit filed under subdivisions (h)(1) or (h)(2) of this section to invalidate an action taken by a governing body or filed pursuant to subdivision (h)(3) of this section to declare an action taken in an executive session to be void shall be filed within one (1) year of the action sought to be invalidated or declared void.

(B) The limitations period under subdivision (i)(3)(A) of this section shall not otherwise limit in any way any civil or criminal liability for a violation of this subchapter."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Amend Senate Bill No. 227 as engrossed.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Amend Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Duffield as a cosponsor of the joint resolution

AND

Page 1, line 17, delete "PROVIDING" and substitute "AND PROVIDING"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 19 through 22, and substitute the following:
"NOT BE INFRINGED."

AND

Page 2, line 23, delete "(c)(1)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 26 through 28

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 189, No. 1, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 189, No. 2, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 212, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 212 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 94, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 236, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 237, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 240, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 242, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 75, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 262
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CORPORATE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE DOCTRINE; TO AUTHORIZE A CURRENT LICENSED MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL WHO OWNS A MEDICAL CORPORATION TO MAINTAIN OWNERSHIP IF HIS OR HER MEDICAL LICENSE IS NO LONGER ACTIVE OR HE OR SHE RETIRES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 262 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 263
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS, CROWELL, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. SULLIVAN, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES SCHULZ, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCREASE THE HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 263 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 264
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS PRIMARY CARE PAYMENT IMPROVEMENT WORKING GROUP; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 264 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 265
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REDUCE AND MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO WASTEWATER; TO REDUCE AND MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; TO ELIMINATE THE APPRENTICESHIP LICENSES FROM SOLID WASTE LICENSING; TO AMEND PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 265 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Resolution No. 26 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR BART HESTER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE RECESSES OF EITHER THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OR THE SENATE OR BOTH FOR PERIODS OF FOUR CONSECUTIVE DAYS OR LONGER.

Senate Resolution No. 26 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Rice, House Bill No. 1007 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

Amend House Bill No. 1007 as engrossed H2/3/25:

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(SIGNED) SENATOR TERRY RICE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1007 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 87 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 87

As Engrossed: S2/10/25 S2/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COUNTY PLANNING; TO CREATE A PENALTY FOR VIOLATING A SUBDIVISION *ORDINANCE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF A COUNTY PLANNING BOARD IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senator Johnson requested that Senate Bill No. 87 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 234 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 234

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR DEES

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT-WEST; TO CREATE AN ADDITIONAL CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 234 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 234.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 234, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 234 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1279 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1286 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1286

As Engrossed: S2/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TRIAGE, TREAT, AND TRANSPORT TO ALTERNATIVE DESTINATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1286 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1286. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1292 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1292
As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1292 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1292. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1292 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1387 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1387

As Engrossed: S2/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC WATER AUTHORITY TO PUBLISH THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION UNDER THE WATER AUTHORITY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1387 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1387. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Tucker.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1387 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1407 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1407
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1407 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1407. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1407 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1437 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1437
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, ET AL
BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, B. DAVIS, GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PERSON REQUIRED TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER FROM ENTERING A WATER PARK, SWIMMING AREA, OR CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND OF A PUBLIC PARK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1437 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1437. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1437 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1359 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1359
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC FINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1359 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1359. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1359 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Tucker was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote.

House Bill No. 1355
House Bill No. 1356
House Bill No. 1357
House Bill No. 1358
House Bill No. 1360
House Bill No. 1361
House Bill No. 1362
House Bill No. 1363
House Bill No. 1364

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1355 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1355
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 5 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CRIMINAL OFFENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1355 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1355 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1356 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1356
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 12 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING LAW ENFORCEMENT, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1356 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1356 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1357 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1357
As Engrossed: H2/4/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 16 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PRACTICE, PROCEDURE, AND COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1357 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1357 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1358 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1358

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 18 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1358 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1358 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1360 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1360
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 20 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1360 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1360 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1361 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1361
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 23 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC UTILITIES AND REGULATED INDUSTRIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1361 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1361 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1362 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1362

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 24 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING RETIREMENT AND PENSIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1362 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1362 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1363 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1363
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 25 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING STATE GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1363 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1363 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1364 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1364
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 27 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TRANSPORTATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1364 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Bryant, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1364 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

February 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 227, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, ET AL

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO.1007, BY REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 266
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BREAUX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL CHAPLAINS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 266 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Senate Bill No. 97 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 98 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 203 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1121
As Engrossed: H1/27/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS TO STATE INSTITUTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1121 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1213
As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H2/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ACHOR, GRAMLICH, *L. JOHNSON*
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, *K. HAMMER*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT; TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF "ATHLETE" WITHIN THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS *ACT; TO DEFINE "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" REGARDING STUDENT ATHLETE CONCUSSION EDUCATION; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1213 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1257
As Engrossed: H2/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE LIMITATION OF THE PRACTICE OF NEUROPSYCHOLOGY FROM TECHNICIANS EMPLOYED BY PSYCHOLOGISTS; TO ALLOW PSYCHOLOGY TECHNICIANS TO BE EMPLOYED BY PSYCHOLOGISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1257 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1307
As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H2/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, *R. BURKES*
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE RESPONSIBLE FUND MANAGEMENT; TO AMEND THE UNIFORM PRUDENT MANAGEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS ACT (2006); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1307 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1450
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1450 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1487
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE NUMBER OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION'S COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1487 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 267
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS ALTERNATIVE MOTOR FUEL DEVELOPMENT ACT; TO REPEAL THE ALTERNATIVE MOTOR FUEL DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 267 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 268
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, J. PAYTON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND ACCOUNT; TO TRANSFER GENERAL REVENUE TO THE AGING AND ADULT SERVICES FUND ACCOUNT TO BE USED FOR FOOD SERVICES BENEFITING THE ELDERLY; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 268 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 28
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS F. LOVE, J. SCOTT, R. MURDOCK

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITS COMMUNITIES, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 28 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 29
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS F. LOVE, J. SCOTT, R. MURDOCK

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC., FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITS COMMUNITIES, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 29 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 23, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 28, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 31, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 50, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 65, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 74, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 97, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 98, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO.116, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO.134, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO.137, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO.170, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.171, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.172, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.173, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.174, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.175, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.176, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.177, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.180, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO.199, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO.203, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO.213, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO.214, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 1:27 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

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SENATE BILL NO. 213
SENATE BILL NO. 214

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this twentieth day of February, 2025 at 1:50 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED /EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 234

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 97
SENATE BILL NO. 98
SENATE BILL NO. 203

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1121
HOUSE BILL NO. 1213
HOUSE BILL NO. 1257
HOUSE BILL NO. 1307
HOUSE BILL NO. 1450
HOUSE BILL NO. 1487

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1292
HOUSE BILL NO. 1355
HOUSE BILL NO. 1356
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1358
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1437

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1286 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1387 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 24, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FORTY THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 24, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, B. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, WALLACE.

Senator Dotson requested leave for Senators M. Johnson and Tucker. Leave granted. Senator Hickey requested leave for Senator Irvin. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Dotson.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 131 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 131

Amend Senate Bill No. 131 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 26-26-1120 is amended to read as follows:

26-26-1120. Disabled persons — Definition.

~~(a)~~ As used in Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 79, "disabled person" means a person who:

(1) Is disabled for purposes of Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq., as in effect on January 1, 2003, for any period during the calendar year;

(2) Is a permanently and totally disabled veteran as defined by 38 C.F.R. § 4.1 et seq., Part IV, as in effect on January 1, 2003; or

(3) Has received permanent and total disability insurance benefits for any period of time during the calendar year.

~~(b)(1) When a disabled person or a person sixty-five (65) years of age or older sells his or her real property, the purchaser shall not be entitled to claim any reduction to the real property's assessed value.~~

~~(2) On or after January 1 of the year following the date of the sale, the county assessor shall assess the real property at its full market value, unadjusted for assessment limitations required by Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 79.~~

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 26-26-1123 is amended to read as follows:

26-26-1123. Sale of real property.

(a) When a person ~~sells his or her~~ purchases real property, the county assessor shall assess the real property at twenty percent (20%) of the appraised value ~~at the next assessment date after~~ on the date of the transfer of title to the real property.

(b) The owner of real property to whom title is transferred by a sale is ~~not~~ then immediately entitled to claim any limitation on future increases to the assessed value of the real property ~~until the second assessment date after the date of the transfer of title to the real property~~ as described in Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 79.

(c) ~~This section does not~~ The protections under this section and under

Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 79 apply to any transfer of title to real property claimed as a homestead in which the owner or beneficiary of the homestead retains a life-estate interest in the homestead following the transfer of title to the real property.

(d) This section does not apply to the purchase of a homestead by a person who is disabled or is sixty-five (65) years of age or older whose assessed or taxable value of his or her homestead cannot be increased for any reason after the date of purchase unless substantial improvements are made to the homestead as provided in Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 79."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 131 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 189

Amend Senate Bill No. 189 as engrossed S2/20/25:

Add Representatives A. Brown, Hall, Long, Womack

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1279 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1279

Amend House Bill No. 1279 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Caldwell

AND

Page 1, delete lines 29 through 36, and substitute the following:
"retailer if eggs used to replace missing or broken eggs:

(A) Are of the same packer as the missing or broken eggs, as evidenced by the license number printed or stamped on the carton or container;

(B) Are of the same grade and size as the missing or broken eggs, as evidenced by the label on the carton or container;

(C) Have the same expiration date, lot code, or Julian date as the missing or broken eggs, as evidenced by the label or stamp on the carton or container;

(D) Are from the same brand as the missing or broken eggs, as evidenced by the label; and

(E) Are visibly clean with no prominent stains, adhering dirt, debris, fecal matter, or other foreign material."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 13

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1279 was ordered engrossed.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 20, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam. President:

This is to inform you that on February 20, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 142 - ACT 122
Senate Bill No. 59 - ACT 123

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 131, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 189, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 131 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279, BY REPRESENTATIVE LYNCH,
BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1279 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 135, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 223, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1384, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 269
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. DAVIS, D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING LOCATIONS FOR AND GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OF A HOSPICE AGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 269 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 270

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING PERIODS OF CERTAIN NONPARTISAN SCHOOL BOARD AND MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 270 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 271

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 271 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 272
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER REGISTRATION; TO PROHIBIT PRE-FILLED FIELDS ON A VOTER REGISTRATION FORM; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, § 6; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 272 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 273
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE DIALYSIS CENTERS TO HAVE A BACKUP GENERATOR ON SITE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 273 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 274

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN ITEMS RELATED TO HUMAN BURIAL; TO EXEMPT A PORTION OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF A CASKET, BURIAL VAULT, OR MONUMENT FROM SALES AND USE TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 274 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 275

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 275 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 276
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE; TO CLARIFY THAT SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE IS ACCEPTABLE COVERAGE FOR FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE COVERAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 276 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 277
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE CRIMINAL RECORD SEALING ACT OF 2013; TO PERMIT THE FILING OF A NEW UNIFORM PETITION TO SEAL A MISDEMEANOR VIOLATION OF THEFT OF PROPERTY AFTER TEN YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THE DATE OF THE THEFT OF PROPERTY OFFENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 277 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 278
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE STATUTES CONCERNING THE OCCUPATIONAL AUTHORIZATION AND LICENSURE OF PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, EMPLOYMENT COUNSELORS, AND EMPLOYMENT AGENCY MANAGERS; TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY ACT OF 1975; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 278 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Resolution No. 28 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 28
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS F. LOVE, J. SCOTT, R. MURDOCK

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITS COMMUNITIES, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 28 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Resolution No. 29 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 29
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS F. LOVE, J. SCOTT, R. MURDOCK

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC., FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITS COMMUNITIES, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 29 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 94 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 94
As Engrossed: S1/27/25 S2/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT FOR NEW ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE DEALERS AND NEW LOW SPEED VEHICLE DEALERS TO MAINTAIN SERVICE AND PARTS STORAGE AREAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 94 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton spoke against the bill.

Senator Penzo spoke for the bill.

Senator Dotson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 20

NEGATIVE: Clark, Crowell, Davis, Flippo, King, Leding, Payton, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Murdock.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 94 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 209
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATAIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO DISQUALIFY SIGNATURES OBTAINED BY A CANVASSER UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Hammer requested Senate Bill No. 209 be pulled down.

SENATE BILL NO. 210
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATAIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE REQUIRE EXAMINING OF AUTHORITATIVE DOCUMENTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE THE SIGNER TO READ THE BALLOT TITLE OF THE PETITION IN THE PRESENCE OF A CANVASSER; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Hammer requested Senate Bill No. 210 be pulled down.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 236 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 236
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY REGULATORY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 236 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 236. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 236 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 240 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 240
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CREDIT REPORTING DISCLOSURE ACT OF 1989; TO CLARIFY THE CONTENT REQUIRED FOR A NOTICE OF ADVERSE ACTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 240 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 240. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 240 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 242 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Rice, House Bill No. 1007 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

As Engrossed: H2/3/25 S2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PURYEAR, *LUNDSTRUM, C. COOPER*

BY: SENATOR RICE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE LIABILITY FOR SHOOTING SPORTS EVENTS; TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WITH RESPECT TO SHOOTING SPORTS EVENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1007 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1007. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1
Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1007 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1049 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1049
As Engrossed: H2/4/25 S2/13/25 S2/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOSH, ET AL
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL OFFENSES; TO CRIMINALIZE UNLAWFUL SQUATTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1049 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1049. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1049 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1154 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1154

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENACT THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S GENERAL OMNIBUS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF FEDERAL RETIREMENT PROGRAMS, CONTRIBUTORY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY MEMBERSHIP STATUS, TEMPORARY WAIVERS FOR ELECTRONICALLY REPORTING AND PAYING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OPTION A AND OPTION B ANNUITY ELECTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF

SURVIVOR BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, RESIDUE DISPOSITIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN A PSHE PLAN, AND OTHER VARIOUS PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1154 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1154. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1154, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1154 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1155 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1155
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATAIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION OF QUALIFICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS WITH A SERVICE-CONNECTED TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY RATING FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1155 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1155.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1155, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1155 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1156 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1156
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY OF A SURVIVING SPOUSE FOR SURVIVOR ANNUITY BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1156 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1156. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1156, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1156 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1157 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1157
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SURVIVOR ANNUITY BENEFITS FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1157 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1157. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1157, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1157 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Love, House Bill No. 1158 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1158
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF A DISTRIBUTION OPTION UNDER THE TEACHER DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1158 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Love moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1158. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1158, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1158 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1160 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1160
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PERMISSIVE SERVICE CREDIT FOR GAP YEAR SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1160 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1160. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1160, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1160 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1161 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1161
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING AN ELECTION TO CHANGE ANNUITY OPTIONS WITHIN ONE YEAR OF RETIREMENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1161 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1161. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1161, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin, Johnson, M., Tucker.

Total 3

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1161 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 75 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 75

Amend Senate Bill No. 75 as originally introduced:

Page 8, immediately following SECTION 11, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - STUDENT NEEDS AND CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for student needs and campus enhancements of the Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf - Student Needs and Campus Enhancements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	STUDENT NEEDS AND CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS	$250,000"

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 75 was ordered engrossed.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 2
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, D. WALLACE, CALDWELL, D. SULLIVAN, A. CLARK, G. STUBBLEFIELD, CROWELL, STONE, B. DAVIS, J. SCOTT, DEES, RICE J. DISMANG, J. PETTY, J. DOTSON, C. PENZO, J. ENGLISH, J. PAYTON, FLIPPO, R. MURDOCK, S. FLOWERS, M. MCKEE, GILMORE, F. LOVE, K. HAMMER G. LEDING, HESTER, B. KING, HICKEY, M. JOHNSON, HILL B. JOHNSON, IRVIN

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION IN RESPECTFUL MEMORY OF FORMER ARKANSAS ATTORNEY GENERAL, UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN, AND FORTY-THIRD GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS JAMES "JIM" GUY TUCKER FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE NATION AND TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 2. was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 279
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MINIMUM WAGE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO ASSIST THE DIVISION OF LABOR WITH ENFORCING THE FAIR AND PROMPT PAYMENT OF WAGES TO ARKANSAS CITIZENS; TO CLARIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH WAGE AND HOUR COMPLAINTS ARE INVESTIGATED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 279 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 280
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN .

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION AS THE CUSTODIAN OF ALL PROPERTY AND THE DISBURSING AGENT OF ALL FUNDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE GEOLOGIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 280 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 281
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING AGRICULTURE; TO ESTABLISH THE PRODUCER BILL OF RIGHTS FOR COMMODITY CHECKOFF PROGRAMS ACT; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO COMMODITY CHECKOFF PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 281 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1117
As Engrossed: H1/28/25 H2/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES R. SCOTT RICHARDSON,
ANDREWS, DUFFIELD, PERRY, RYE
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION AND THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION TO DETERMINE THE EARLIEST GRADE IN WHICH IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR STUDENTS TO RECEIVE INSTRUCTION ON FIREARM SAFETY; TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT AND AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO ANNUALLY PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH INSTRUCTION ON FIREARM SAFETY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1117 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1369
As Engrossed: H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAXIMUM CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMIT BY THE ARKANSAS ETHICS COMMISSION; AMENDING PORTIONS OF LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1369 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1379

As Engrossed: H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SPECIAL AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEALS AND LODGING WHILE TRAVELING ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1379 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1405

As Engrossed: H2/11/25 H2/18/25 H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, *GRAMLICH, L. JOHNSON*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES CONCERNING PROCURERS; TO ADD ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS REGARDING THE USE OF A PROCURER BY A LICENSED CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1405 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1413

As Engrossed: H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPERD

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BRINE PRODUCTION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF BRINE PRODUCTION UNITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1413 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Senate Bill No. 207 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 207 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 169 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 206 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 75, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 169, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 206, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:02 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 169
SENATE BILL NO. 206

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty fourth day of February, 2025 at 3:13 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS,
GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 253, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON, MEMBER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 261, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 24, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1475, BY REPRESENTATIVE CARR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1486, BY REPRESENTATIVE BURKES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 282
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS; TO ALLOW VOTERS TO ELECT "FOR" OR "AGAINST" WATER FLUORIDATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 282 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 283
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, A. CLARK, J. ENGLISH, GILMORE, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BEATY JR., BENTLEY, BROOKS, CHILDRESS, FURMAN, HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING UNCLAIMED PROPERTY; TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE LAW CONCERNING UNCLAIMED PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 283 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 284
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO MODIFY THE EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED MEASURE 1948, NO. 4; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 284 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 285
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPENSATION RESTRICTIONS UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 285 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 286
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL WAGE LOSS BENEFITS IN ADDITION TO SCHEDULED INJURY PAYMENTS UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED MEASURE 1948, NO. 4; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 286 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 287
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY CERTAIN ATTORNEY FEES FOR CONTROVERTED MEDICAL EXPENSES, APPEALS, AND CHANGES OF PHYSICIANS UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED MEASURE 1948, NO. 4; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 287 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 288
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY A PHYSICIAN CHANGE UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED MEASURE 1948, NO. 4; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 288 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 289
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CUT THE STATEWIDE SALES TAX RATE BY ONE-EIGHTH PERCENT TO REDUCE THE SURPLUS FUNDS COLLECTED FROM ARKANSAS TAXPAYERS; TO AMEND THE SALES AND USE TAX RATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 289 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 94
SENATE BILL NO. 236
SENATE BILL NO. 240

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED & ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 169
SENATE BILL NO. 206

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 207 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1117
HOUSE BILL NO. 1379
HOUSE BILL NO. 1405
HOUSE BILL NO. 1413

HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1369

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE AS PASSED/
EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1154
HOUSE BILL NO. 1155
HOUSE BILL NO. 1156
HOUSE BILL NO. 1157
HOUSE BILL NO. 1158
HOUSE BILL NO. 1160
HOUSE BILL NO. 1161

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1007 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1049 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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FORTY FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 25, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, M. JOHNSON, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Dr. Lewis Shepherd.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 100 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 100

Amend Senate Bill No.100 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Springer

AND

Page 1, line 25, delete "The Arkansas Medicaid Program" and substitute "If authorized by a physician assistant's supervising physician, the Arkansas Medicaid Program"

AND

Page 2, delete line 9, and substitute the following:
"of a physician assistant.

(e) When initially applying to the program to be recognized as a primary care provider and case manager under this section, a physician assistant shall provide a written authorization that is signed and dated by his or her supervising physician."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 100 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 117

Amend Senate Bill No.117 as engrossed S2/18/25:

Page 2, line 20, delete "(2)(A)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 25 through 28, and substitute the following:
"body orifices, excluding endoscopy and colonoscopy;"

AND

Page 2, line 30, delete "minimal" and substitute "infinitesimal"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 6 through 17

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete "(7)" and substitute "(6)"

AND

Page 3, delete line 25, and substitute the following:
"(7) "Naturopathic physician" means an individual licensed under this subchapter as a naturopathic physician to practice naturopathic medicine in this state;
(8) "Naturopathic therapeutic medicine" means the use of one (1)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 5 through 7

AND

Page 4, line 8, delete "(10)" and substitute "(9)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 14 through 16, and substitute the following:

"(F) Homeopathic medicine; or

(G) A clinical laboratory procedure;"

AND

Page 4, line 17, delete "(11)" and substitute "(10)"

AND

Page 4, line 20, delete "(12)" and substitute "(11)"

AND

Page 4, line 25, delete "(13)" and substitute "(12)"

AND

Page 4, line 30, delete "(14)" and substitute "(13)"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 2 through 5, and substitute the following:

"(F) A homeopathic medicine; or

(G) Other physiologic substance."

AND

Page 11, line 28, delete "Successful completed of" and substitute "Successfully completed"

AND

Page 12, delete lines 25 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(7) Use routes of administration of medication that include oral, nasal, auricular, ocular, rectal, vaginal, and transdermal consistent with the education and

training of a naturopathic physician;

(8) Perform naturopathic therapeutic medicine;

(9) Employ the use of naturopathic therapy; and

(10) Use therapeutic devices, barrier contraception, and durable medical equipment."

AND

Page 13, delete lines 1 through 22

AND

Page 13, line 24, delete "17-108-304." and substitute "17-108-303."

AND

Page 14, line 4, delete "17-108-305." and substitute "17-108-304."

AND

Page 14, line 10, delete "17-108-306." and substitute "17-108-305."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 183

Amend Senate Bill No.183 as engrossed S2/4/25:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 15, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDIZED ASSESSMENTS; TO AMEND THE UNIVERSAL ACT ASSESSMENT PROGRAM ACT; TO AMEND THE TYPES OF ASSESSMENTS PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAY PROVIDE TO STUDENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO AMEND THE UNIVERSAL ACT ASSESSMENT PROGRAM ACT; AND TO AMEND THE TYPES OF ASSESSMENTS PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAY PROVIDE TO STUDENTS."

AND

Page 1, delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 16 is amended to read as follows:

Subchapter 16 — Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program Act

6-18-1601. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the “Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program Act”.

6-18-1602. ~~Definitions~~ Definition.

As used in this subchapter:

(1)(A) ~~“ACT Assessment”~~ "Assessment" means a test of student

educational development that measures student readiness for future learning and that may be used by institutions of higher education as part of their admissions, placement, and scholarship processes and by high schools to improve college and workforce readiness~~; and~~

~~(2) "Smart Core" means:~~

~~(A) The college and career readiness curriculum by that name under the rules of the State Board of Education; or~~

(B) ~~A college and career readiness curriculum that is:~~

~~(i) Established by rules of the state board in coordination with the Division of Higher Education; and~~

~~(ii) Substituted for the curriculum named "Smart Core"~~.

"Assessment" includes without limitation:

(i) The ACT test;

(ii) The SAT;

(iii) The CLT;u

(iv) The PreACT;

(v) The PSAT 8/9;

(vi) The PSAT 10;

(vii) The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test; or

(viii) The CLT 10; and

(2) "CLT" means the Classic Learning Test administered by Class Learning Initiatives, LLC.

6-18-1603. Creation.

There is created in the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education the Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program to be developed, implemented, and administered by the division as provided in this subchapter.

6-18-1604. Purpose.

The purpose of the Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program is to:

(1) Improve the college readiness of all students in grade eleven (11);

(2) Prevent or minimize the continued remediation of nearly fifty percent (50%) of all students entering Arkansas institutions of higher education in one (1) or more subjects because they do not meet the ~~college~~ recommended readiness score ~~of nineteen (19) or higher~~ on ~~the ACT Assessment~~ an assessment;

(3) Advance the number of students, including students of low income, English-language learners, and minority students, taking ~~the ACT Assessment~~ an assessment while in grade eleven (11) to increase the number of first-generation college students;

(4) Increase the college participation rates among all racial and ethnic groups;

(5) Improve preparation for college and the workforce;

(6) Improve the course selection patterns of high school students;

(7) Increase the early identification of college-ready students; and

(8) ~~Support students participating in the Smart Core by providing a baseline for their college and workforce readiness and an opportunity to benefit from earlier remediation or course selection review;~~ and

~~(9)~~ Provide a link between what students have learned, what they need to learn, and what is necessary in order to be college or workforce ready, or both, by providing expectations and measuring their progress.

~~6-18-1605. Smart Core and ACT Assessment.~~

~~(a) The General Assembly finds that students who take the recommended Smart Core courses or students who take additional courses after completing the Smart Core continue to perform better on the ACT Assessment than students who take less than the recommended core.~~

~~(b) The recommended core courses according to ACT Assessment officials include:~~

~~(1) Four (4) years or more of English;~~

~~(2) Three (3) years or more of mathematics;~~

~~(3) Three (3) years or more of social studies; and~~

~~(4) Three (3) years or more of natural sciences.~~

6-18-1606. Implementation.

(a) Beginning with the ~~2017-2018~~ 2025-2026 school year, the Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program may provide each student in grades nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), or twelve (12) with the opportunity to take ~~the ACT Assessment~~ an assessment while in grades eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), or twelve (12) without any charge by using school district funding, including National School Lunch Act funds, 42 U.S.C. § 1751 et seq., to pay for the exams as approved by the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education.

(b) A public school district shall allow a student to choose to take ~~the ACT Assessment~~ an assessment under subsection (a) of this section in grade ten (10) or grade eleven (11).

6-18-1607. Rules.

The Division of Higher Education and the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall develop rules for the administration of this subchapter.

6-18-1608. Reporting.

The Division of Higher Education and the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall submit a combined annual report to the Legislative Council by December 1 of each year that ~~establishes~~:

(1) Establishes compliance with this subchapter~~, provides~~;

(2) Provides data on the number of participants in the Universal ~~ACT~~

Assessment Program~~,~~; and ~~outlines~~

(3) Outlines the impact of this program on the college readiness of high school seniors and the remediation rates at institutions of higher education."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 183 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 232 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 232

Amend Senate Bill No. 232 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Cozart

SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 232 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 252 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 252

Amend Senate Bill No. 252 as originally introduced:

Page 14, line 6, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 252 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 265 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 265

Amend Senate Bill No. 265 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 12, delete "ELIMINATE" and substitute "AMEND"

AND

Page 1, line 13, delete "FROM" and substitute "IN"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO REDUCE AND MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO WASTEWATER AND THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; AND TO AMEND THE APPRENTICESHIP LICENSES IN SOLID WASTE LICENSING."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 265 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 267 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 267

Amend Senate Bill No. 267 as originally introduced:

Delete Representatives K. Moore, Vaught

AND

Add Representative J. Moore

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 267 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 100, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 117, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 183, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 100 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 232, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,
SENATE BILL NO. 252, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 265, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 267, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 232 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 252 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 265 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 267 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 218, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 249, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 250, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,

report that we have had the same under consideration and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 259, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1149, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1279, BY REPRESENTATIVE LYNCH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1441, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1450, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1487, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 257, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1378, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 207, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1121, BY REPRESENTATIVE LONG,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1368, BY REPRESENTATIVE RYE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1399, BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1417, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 290
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS IN WATERSHEDS AND OTHER BODIES OF WATER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 290 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY& ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 291
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPLAINTS OF ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS; TO AMEND THE DEADLINES FOR COMPLAINTS OF ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 291 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 292
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DATE OF AN ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION; TO MOVE THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION IF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION IS SCHEDULED ON A STATE HOLIDAY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 292 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 293
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIRED POSTINGS AT A POLLING SITE; TO AMEND THE LIST CONCERNING REQUIRED POSTING OF NOTICES, INFORMATION, AND MATERIAL AT A POLLING SITE ON ELECTION DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 293 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 294

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTION AUDITS; TO ALLOW THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO AUDIT A COUNTY IN THE PRECEDING ELECTION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 294 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 295

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPROPRIATION FOR ELECTION EXPENSES; TO ALLOW COMPENSATION FOR A CERTIFIED ELECTION MONITOR AS AN ELECTION EXPENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 295 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 296
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION BY THE COUNTY CLERK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 296 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 297
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BECK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPALITIES CHOOSING TO ELECT COUNCIL MEMBERS; TO REQUIRE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE MUNICIPALITY TO FILE THE ORDINANCE DESCRIBING THE ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS WITH THE COUNTY CLERK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 297 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 298
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR RICE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING THE SETTING ASIDE OF A DECREE TO QUIET TITLE TO LAND TO ALLOW FOR FINALITY IN QUIET TITLE ACTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 298 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 299
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER ASSISTANCE; TO REQUIRE A PERSON ASSISTING A VOTER AT A POLLING SITE TO PRESENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION; TO REQUIRE A STAFF MEMBER TO WITNESS AN ADMINISTRATOR ASSISTING A RESIDENT OF A LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY WITH ABSENTEE VOTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 299 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 267, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR MATT STONE
SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG
SENATOR BEN GILMORE
SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Memorial Resolution No. 2 was called up for third reading.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 2
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, D. WALLACE, CALDWELL, D. SULLIVAN, A. CLARK, G. STUBBLEFIELD, CROWELL, STONE, B. DAVIS, J. SCOTT, DEES, RICE, J. DISMANG, J. PETTY, J. DOTSON, C. PENZO, J. ENGLISH, J. PAYTON, FLIPPO, R. MURDOCK, S. FLOWERS, M. MCKEE, GILMORE, F. LOVE, K. HAMMER, G. LEDING, HESTER, B. KING, HICKEY, M. JOHNSON, HILL, B. JOHNSON, IRVIN

A SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION IN RESPECTFUL MEMORY OF FORMER ARKANSAS ATTORNEY GENERAL, UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN, AND FORTY-THIRD GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS JAMES "JIM" GUY TUCKER FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE NATION AND TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 2 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Resolution No. 22 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 22
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED®, FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY AND TO DESIGNATE FEBRUARY 25, 2025, AS ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 22 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator English, Senate Resolution No. 24 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 24
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKANSAS COUNCIL FOR MILITARY CHILDREN FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO AND SUCCESSES IN SERVING MILITARY FAMILIES IN ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 24 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Caldwell, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Resolution No. 27 at this time.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Resolution No. 27 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A SENATE RESOLUTION COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS, RANCHERS, AND FORESTERS FOR THEIR VITAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECURITY AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND THE NATION AND FOR PRODUCING THE FOOD AND FIBER THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTH AND SECURITY OF THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 27 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Resolution No. 23 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 23
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS CROWELL, STONE, CALDWELL, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, A. CLARK, D. WALLACE, C. TUCKER, B. DAVIS, D. SULLIVAN, DEES, G. STUBBLEFIELD, J. DISMANG, J. SCOTT, J. DOTSON, RICE, J. ENGLISH, J. PETTY, FLIPPO, C. PENZO, S. FLOWERS, J. PAYTON, GILMORE, R. MURDOCK, K. HAMMER, M. MCKEE, HESTER, F. LOVE, HICKEY, G. LEDING, HILL, B. KING, IRVIN, M. JOHNSON, B. JOHNSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 15-22, 2025, AS NATIONAL FFA WEEK.

Senate Resolution No. 23 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 135 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 135
As Engrossed: S2/4/25 S2/11/25 S2/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, *CRAWFORD*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ELECTION REQUIREMENTS IN THE CASE OF AN UNCHANGED RATE OF AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX LEVIED BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 135 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 135. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.135 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 223 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 223

As Engrossed: S2/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 223 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flowers spoke against the bill.
Senator Stubblefield spoke for the bill.
Senator Irvin spoke against the bill.
Senator Davis spoke for the bill.
Senator Clark spoke for the bill.
Senator M. Johnson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Irvin, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dismang.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.223 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 253 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 253

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HILL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A MANUFACTURED HOME UNIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 253 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 253. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 253 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 261 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 261
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ON CERTAIN ROADS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ACCESS OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES TO UNPAVED ROADS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Clark requested that Senate Bill No. 261 be pulled down.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 261 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 183 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 183

Amend Senate Bill No.183 as engrossed S2/25/25:

Page 2, line 18, delete "Test; or" and substitute "Test;"

AND

Page 2, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"(viii) The CLT 10; or
(ix) The PreACT 8/9; and"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 183 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1384 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1384

As Engrossed: H2/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE GRADUATE *MEDICAL EDUCATION RESIDENCY EXPANSION BOARD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1384 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1384. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1384, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1384 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1475 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1475
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF GREEN LIGHTS BY ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS ON LAMP COLORS; TO AMEND THE COLORS OF LIGHTS THAT MAY BE USED BY EMERGENCY VEHICLES; TO DEFINE A ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE VEHICLE; TO DEFINE WHAT VEHICLES MAY USE OSCILLATING, ROTATING, OR FLASHING LIGHTS OR DEVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1475 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1475. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1475 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1486 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1486
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MARKET VALUE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1486 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1486. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1486 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 209 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 209
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO DISQUALIFY SIGNATURES OBTAINED BY A CANVASSER UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 209, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Leding requested a Sounding of the Ballot passed of the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 209. Five hands were seen, whereupon the Secretary sounded the ballot. Results are as follows:

Total number of votes cast	33
Necessary to the passage of the Bill	24
Total number voting in the affirmative	24
Total number voting in the negative	9
Total number absent or not voting	2

Upon sounding of the ballot, passed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 209 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 210 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 210
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE REQUIRE EXAMINING OF AUTHORITATIVE DOCUMENTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE THE SIGNER TO READ THE BALLOT TITLE OF THE PETITION IN THE PRESENCE OF A CANVASSER; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 210, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M.McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 210 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 75 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 75

As Engrossed: S2/24/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 75 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 75. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 75, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 75 was ordered immediately returned to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 183, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Senate Bill No. 208 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 208 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 211 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 211 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 30
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF FAMILY-OWNED AND ARKANSAS-BASED CG ROXANE LLC AND ITS CRYSTAL GEYSER ALPINE SPRING WATER.

Senate Resolution No. 30 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 300
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 300 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 301

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THEFT OF PROPERTY; TO CREATE AN ENHANCED PENALTY FOR THEFT OF CARGO; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 301 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 302

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF GIFT CARD FRAUD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 302 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 303
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A RESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PERMIT A PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENT TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY AT THE RESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 303 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 304
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A CLASS OF REGISTERED VOTERS THAT HAVE CHANGED THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE TO CAST A VALID BALLOT; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, § 19; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 304 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 305
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN TESTING OF PROCESSED MARIJUANA PRODUCTS SOLD AS MEDICAL MARIJUANA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 305 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 306
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO APPLY FOR A HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVER FOR THE AGING AND ELDERLY POPULATION IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 306 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1449
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS FOR A CANDIDATE FOR STATE OR DISTRICT OFFICE; TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR FINAL REPORTS; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1449 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1474
As Engrossed: H2/18/25 H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO REQUIRE THE DISPLAY OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1474 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1507
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL JUSTICE, OR GOVERNANCE SCORES; TO CLARIFY THE EXEMPTIONS FROM DIVESTMENT FOR CERTAIN INVESTMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1507 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1514
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A "CRITICAL-NEED EMPLOYEE"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1514 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECESS OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 16, 2025; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNTIL 12:00 NOON, MAY 5, 2025, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING VETOES, CORRECTING ERRORS OR OVERSIGHTS, COMPLETING ITS WORK ON PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, AND CONSIDERING THE NEED FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE REGULAR SESSION OR TO ADJOURN THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ANY TIME BEFORE THAT DATE IF THEY DETERMINE THAT THERE IS NO NEED TO RECONVENE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT RECONVENED OR ADJOURNED BEFORE 12:00 NOON, MAY 5, 2025, THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS ADJOURNED SINE DIE ON THAT DATE.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 25, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam President:

This is to inform you that on February 25, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 214 - ACT 137	Senate Bill No. 173 - ACT 166
Senate Bill No. 213 - ACT 140	Senate Bill No. 174 - ACT 167
Senate Bill No. 137 - ACT 141	Senate Bill No. 175 - ACT 168
Senate Bill No. 134 - ACT 143	Senate Bill No. 176 - ACT 169
Senate Bill No. 180 - ACT 144	Senate Bill No. 177 - ACT 170
Senate Bill No. 50 - ACT 145	Senate Bill No. 23 - ACT 188
Senate Bill No. 203 - ACT 155	Senate Bill No. 28 - ACT 189
Senate Bill No. 97 - ACT 156	Senate Bill No. 31 - ACT 190
Senate Bill No. 98 - ACT 157	Senate Bill No. 65 - ACT 191
Senate Bill No. 170 - ACT 163	Senate Bill No. 74 - ACT 192
Senate Bill No. 171 - ACT 164	Senate Bill No. 116 - ACT 193
Senate Bill No. 172 - ACT 165	Senate Bill No. 199 - ACT 194

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor of Arkansas

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

SENATE BILL NO. 307
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, M. MCKEE, J. BOYD, S. FLOWERS, R. MURDOCK, B. JOHNSON, B. DAVIS, HESTER, GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC UTILITIES; TO CREATE THE GENERATING ARKANSAS JOBS ACT OF 2025; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 307 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 308
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE; TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 308 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 135
SENATE BILL NO. 223
SENATE BILL NO. 253

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/ EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 75
SENATE BILL NO. 209
SENATE BILL NO. 210

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 208 AS AMENDED NO. 1
SENATE BILL NO. 211 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1449
HOUSE BILL NO. 1474
HOUSE BILL NO. 1507
HOUSE BILL NO. 1514

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1475
HOUSE BILL NO. 1486

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1384

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., February 26, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FORTY FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 26, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by John Weatherford.

The Senate was led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance of the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 212 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 212

Amend Senate Bill No. 212 as engrossed S2/20/25:

Page 2, delete lines 15 through 25, and substitute the following:

"(c) If an individual fails to comply with a subpoena request issued by the Secretary of State or a document validity investigator under subsection (b) of this section, the Secretary of State may request an order from a court of appropriate jurisdiction to enforce the subpoena."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 30 through 33, and substitute the following:

"subchapter to the Attorney General's office for further investigation and action."

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Amend Senate Bill No. 212 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 227

Amend Senate Bill No. 227 as engrossed S2/20/25:

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 5, and substitute the following:

"(B) "Public meeting" does not include:

(i) The gathering together, whether in person or through electronic or telephonic means, of the members of a governing body to discuss the settlement of a cause of action in a court-ordered alternative dispute resolution process, including without limitation a settlement conference or mediation; and

(ii) A meeting of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee under § 10-3-3201 et seq.;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

"(12) “Poll” means:

(A) A series of communications:

(i) Between:

(a) One (1) or more persons paid by a public entity or agents or employees of that public entity; and

(b) One (1) or more members of the governing body of that public entity;

(ii) Concerning any matter on which official action will foreseeably be taken by the governing body;

(iii) To determine:

(a) How the member of the governing body intends to vote; or

(b) Whether the member of the governing body supports or opposes certain proposed action by the governing body; and

(iv) For the purpose of exercising a responsibility, authority, power, or duty of the governing body; and

(13) "Remotely" means through electronic means, including without limitation by telephone, video conference, or video broadcast."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 5

AND

Page 5, line 15, delete "licensure;" and substitute "licensure; and"

AND

Page 5, line 16, delete "Subject to subdivision (h)(3) of this section, a" and substitute "A"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 19 through 21, and substitute the following:
"as described in § 25-19-105(b)(17)."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 29 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(2)(A) ~~If the Governor declares a disaster emergency under the Arkansas Emergency Services Act of 1973, § 12-75-101 et seq., a public entity may assemble, gather, meet, and conduct an open public meeting through electronic means, including without limitation by:~~

~~(A) Telephone;~~

~~(B) Video conference; or~~

~~(C) Video broadcast.~~ Except as provided under subdivisions (e)(3) and (4) of this section, a member of a governing body shall be physically present at a public meeting to be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum or to vote.

(B) A quorum of a governing body shall be physically present at a public meeting for the governing body to enter an executive session.

~~(2)~~(3)(A) ~~If an open public meeting is held under subdivision (e)(1) of this section:~~ A governing body may adopt a policy, resolution, or ordinance permitting a member of the governing body who is unable to be physically present at a public meeting to attend the public meeting remotely.

~~(A) The public may attend the open public meeting using electronic means; and~~

(B)(i) ~~Notice of the method the public may attend the open public meeting shall be published with the notice of the open public meeting.~~ The governing body may count a member of the governing body who attends a public meeting remotely for the purpose of establishing a quorum no more than three (3) times per calendar year.

(ii) A member of a governing body attending remotely

who is used to establish a quorum under subdivision (e)(3)(B)(i) of this section shall not be counted to determine if the governing body may enter executive session under subdivision (e)(2)(B) of this section.

(C) This subdivision (e)(3) does not apply to public meetings of quorum courts or city councils.

~~(3)~~(4) ~~Physical presence of the public or of an individual member of the public entity at the open public meeting is not required under this subsection.~~ If the Governor declares a disaster emergency under the Arkansas Emergency Services Act of 1973, § 12-75-101 et seq., a governing body may conduct a public meeting remotely.

~~(4)~~(5) ~~The open public meeting shall be recorded in the format in which it is conducted, including without limitation:~~

~~(A) A sound-only recording;~~

~~(B) A video recording with sound and picture; or~~

~~(C) A digital or analog broadcast capable of being recorded.~~ For a member of a governing body who attends a meeting remotely to be counted for a quorum or to vote, the method used to permit the member of the governing body to attend remotely shall:

(A) Provide a method for the president or the secretary of the governing body to verify the identity of the member of the governing body attending remotely;

(B) Allow members of the governing body who are physically present at the public meeting and members of the public at all times to:

(i) Hear the member of the governing body attending remotely;

(ii) Observe a vote of a member of the governing body attending remotely; and

(iii) Know the identity of the member of the governing body attending remotely when that member is speaking or voting; and

(C) Allow a member of the governing body attending remotely to hear the members of the governing body physically present at the public meeting and any public comment.

~~(5)~~(6) ~~A public entity shall maintain the records of an open public meeting held under this subsection for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of the open public meeting.~~ A member of a governing body who attends a public meeting remotely shall not:

(A) Attend an executive session remotely;

(B)(i) Vote on an issue that is the subject of an executive session.

(ii) The inability of the member of a governing body to vote on an item discussed in executive session shall be treated the same as if the member of the governing body were not present for the executive session or the public meeting; or

(C) Receive mileage or per diem for attending the public

meeting.

(7) If a public meeting is held remotely with no members of the governing body physically present at the public meeting:

(A) The governing body shall enable members of the public to attend the public meeting by the same means that the public meeting is held for the members of the governing body; and

(B) Notice of the method the public may attend the public meeting shall be published with the notice of the public meeting.

(8) The public meeting shall be recorded in the format in which it is conducted, including without limitation:

(A) A sound-only recording;

(B) A video recording with sound and picture; and

(C) A digital or analog broadcast capable of being recorded.

(9) A public entity shall maintain the records of a public meeting held under this subsection for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of the public meeting."

AND

Page 7, delete lines 1 through 35

AND

Page 8, line 8, delete "governing body" and substitute "governing body or employee or agent of a public entity"

AND

Page 8, line 14, delete "Except as provided in subdivision (h)(2) of this section, if" and substitute "If"

AND

Page 8, line 20, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 26 through 36

AND

Page 9, delete lines 1 through 16

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1307 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1307

Amend House Bill No. 1307 as engrossed H2/17/25:

Page 4, delete lines 20 through 28, and substitute the following:
"service providers that were consulted and including without limitation a description of:

(A) Fees;
(B) Historical investment performance; and
(C) Evidence of compliance with subdivision (f)(2) of this

section; and

(3) Publicly posts notice seeking a service provider that would comply"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1307 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 212, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 227, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 212 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1307, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON
BY SENATOR BRYANT

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1307 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 167, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1117, BY REPRESENTATIVE R. RICHARDSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 244, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 260, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 118, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 200, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 263, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BARKER, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, R. BURKES, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, DALBY, DUKE, HENLEY, LUNDSTRUM, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON, K. MOORE, VAUGHT

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THE PURSUIT OF NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE DESIGNATION BY THE WINTHROP P. ROCKEFELLER CANCER INSTITUTE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 309

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "PSYCHIATRIC COLLABORATIVE CARE MODEL" UNDER THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO INCLUDE CERTAIN CLINICAL PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACIST SERVICES IN THE PSYCHIATRIC COLLABORATIVE CARE MODEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 309 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 310

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS; TO ENABLE THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS TO CONDUCT CERTAIN BUSINESS ONLINE; TO AMEND THE PROCEDURE THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS MUST FOLLOW IN SELLING CERTAIN PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 310 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 311
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE END ORGAN AND GENOMIC HARVESTING ACT; TO PROHIBIT COVERAGE OF CERTAIN HUMAN ORGAN TRANSPLANT OR POST-TRANSPLANT CARE; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN GENETIC SEQUENCERS AND GENETIC ANALYSIS TECHNOLOGIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 311 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 312
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE MORATORIUM ON THE CONSTRUCTION OR ADDITION OF ANY ADDITIONAL BEDS WITHIN PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 312 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 313
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH
REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, VAUGHT, BARKER, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, R. BURKES, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, DALBY, DUKE, HENLEY, LUNDSTRUM, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING FORENSIC MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS AND TREATMENT; TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCIES AND QUALITY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 313 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

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SENATE BILL NO. 314
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, J. ENGLISH, B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUKE, K. MOORE, HENLEY, VAUGHT, BARKER, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, R. BURKES, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, DALBY, LUNDSTRUM, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SEXUAL SOLICITATION; TO AMEND THE PENALTIES FOR THE OFFENSE OF SEXUAL SOLICITATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 314 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 315
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FARMER PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 315 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 316
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALES AND USE TAX LAWS CONCERNING REBATES; TO REQUIRE THAT SALES AND USE TAX REBATES BE ADMINISTERED AS REFUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 316 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 317
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO PROHIBIT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM PARTICIPATING IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES WITH A PROHIBITED FOREIGN PARTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 317 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 318
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE AN INCOME TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS BASED ON INCOME AND AGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 318 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1193 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Resolution No. 30 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 30
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF FAMILY-OWNED AND ARKANSAS-BASED CG ROXANE LLC AND ITS CRYSTAL GEYSER ALPINE SPRING WATER.

Senate Resolution No. 30 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 207 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 207

Amend Senate Bill No. 207 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete title in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW
CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND
REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO
REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO
DISCLOSE THAT PETITION FRAUD IS A

CRIMINAL OFFENSE; AND TO
DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING
INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM
PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A
CANVASSER TO DISCLOSE THAT
PETITION FRAUD IS A CRIMINAL
OFFENSE; AND TO DECLARE AN
EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 1, line 29, delete "Class A misdemeanor" and substitute "criminal offense"

AND

Page 2, line 4, delete "Class A misdemeanor" and substitute "criminal offense"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 207 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 207 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 207

As Engrossed: H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO DISCLOSE THAT PETITION FRAUD IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Senate Bill No. 207 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 207, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 207 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 259 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 259

Amend Senate Bill No. 259 as originally introduced:

Amend Senate Bill 259 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 28, delete "." and substitute "and upon confirmation by the Senate."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 259 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 218 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 218
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 218 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 218. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.218 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 249 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 249
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES RELATED TO FORESTRY; TO AMEND THE POWERS OF THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 249 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 249. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.249 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 250 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 250

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR STONE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PEST CONTROL LAW; TO REASSIGN CERTAIN DUTIES OF THE STATE PLANT BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 250 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 250. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 250 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 257 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 257
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; TO EXTEND THE APPEAL PERIOD FOR PROVIDERS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO REQUIRE COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION IN NOTICES OF ADVERSE DECISIONS; TO MANDATE PUBLICATION OF ALL POLICIES, PROTOCOLS, AND REQUIREMENTS USED IN MAKING AN ADVERSE DECISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 257 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 257. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 257 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 267 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 267
As Engrossed: S2/25/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS ALTERNATIVE MOTOR FUEL DEVELOPMENT ACT; TO REPEAL THE ALTERNATIVE MOTOR FUEL DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 267 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 267.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Scott, Tucker.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.267 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

Recall Letter for HCR 1006

February 26, 2025

The Honorable Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of Senate
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The House of Representatives respectfully requests the return to the House, HCR1006
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Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006 was returned to the House as requested.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1121 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1121

As Engrossed: H1/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS TO STATE INSTITUTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1121 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stubblefield moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1121. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1121 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1149 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1279 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279
As Engrossed: S2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LYNCH
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS EGG MARKETING ACT OF 1969; TO AUTHORIZE REPACKAGING OF EGGS BY A RETAILER IF CERTAIN CRITERIA IS MET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1279 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1279. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1279 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1368 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1368

As Engrossed: H2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RYE, *F. ALLEN, ET AL.*

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIST OF MUSICIANS HONORED ON ARKANSAS MUSIC APPRECIATION DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1368 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1368. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1368 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1378 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1378
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; TO AMEND THE COMPOSITION OF THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A QUORUM FOR MEETINGS OF THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF A CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER BY THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1378 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1378. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1378 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1399 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1399
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF DONATION DEEDS AND HOMESTEAD DONATION DEEDS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1399 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stubblefield moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1399. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Murdock, Tucker.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1399 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1417 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1417
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LADYMAN, WARDLAW
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE OFFICIAL DUCK OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1417 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1417. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1417 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1441 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1441

As Engrossed: H2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS COORDINATE SYSTEM OF 1983; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1441 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1441. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1441 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1450 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1450
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1450 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1450
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1450 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1487 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1487
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE NUMBER OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION'S COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1487 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1487. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1487 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 231 at this time.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 231 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 231

Amend Senate Bill No. 231 as engrossed S2/17/25:

Page 4, delete lines 14 through 16, and substitute the following:

"(d) The director shall:

(1) Assign personnel as agents of the office to conduct investigations related to violations of lottery-related laws or lottery-related administrative rules; and

(2) Report on the investigations conducted under subdivision (d)(1) of this section on a regular basis to the office of the Attorney General and the Division of Arkansas State Police."

AND

Page 4, line 21, delete "authority" and substitute "authority to conduct investigations related to violations of lottery-related laws or lottery-related administrative rules"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 231 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 259, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 319
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; TO CLARIFY CHARGING ORDERS UNDER THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 319 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 231, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 231 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 207, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 2:53 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for his approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 207

RECEIVED the above paper from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty-sixth day of February, 2025 at 3:06 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS,
GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 17 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 63 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 136 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 147 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 165 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 166 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 178 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 185 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 202 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 228 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 234 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE BILL NO. 320

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DALBY, BARKER, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, K. BROWN R. BURKES, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, DUKE, HENLEY, LUNDSTRUM, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON, K. MOORE, VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 320 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 321
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 321 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 322
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT; TO ALLOW THIRD PARTIES TO PERFORM PLAN REVIEWS AND SITE INSPECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 322 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 323
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HORIZONTAL PROPERTY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 323 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 324

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF A COUNTY PLANNING BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 324 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1508

As Engrossed: H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, GAZAWAY

SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECODIFICATION OF TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC FINANCE; TO REPEAL AND RECODIFY TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS; TO AMEND LAWS RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACTS 2000, NO. 1; TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE ARKANSAS CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1508 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 25, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 17, BY SENATOR FREDRICK J. LOVE,
SENATE BILL NO. 63, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, JR.,
SENATE BILL NO. 136, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 147, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 165, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 166, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 178, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 185, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 202, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, JR.,
SENATE BILL NO. 228, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 234, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 4:59 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for his approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 17
SENATE BILL NO. 63
SENATE BILL NO. 136
SENATE BILL NO. 147

SENATE BILL NO. 165
SENATE BILL NO. 166
SENATE BILL NO. 178
SENATE BILL NO. 185
SENATE BILL NO. 202
SENATE BILL NO. 228
SENATE BILL NO. 234

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty-fifth day of February, 2024 at 5 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS,
GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 99, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 100, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 101, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 111, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 222, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 265, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 119, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1166, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1245, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1255, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1256, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1478, BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHULTZ

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1213, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1447, BY REPRESENTATIVE LONG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 325
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; TO AMEND THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING REINSTATEMENT OF PARENTAL RIGHTS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE CHILD MALTREATMENT CENTRAL REGISTRY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 325 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 326
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; TO AMEND THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT; TO MODIFY GUIDELINES FOR A JUDGMENT MADE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF A CHILD; TO AMEND PROCEDURES AROUND REPORTING IN CHILD MALTREATMENT, DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT, AND FAMILY-IN-NEED-OF-SERVICES MATTERS; TO AMEND PROCEDURES REGARDING SCREENINGS FOR CHILD MALTREATMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 326 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 327

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PAYMENTS TO LOCALITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 327 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 328

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPUTER CRIMES AGAINST MINORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 328 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1171

As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO AUTHORIZE AN ABBREVIATED INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT FOR CERTAIN BENEFICIARIES ENROLLED IN A RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1171 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1217

As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H2/24/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE INTERSTATE MASSAGE COMPACT IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1217 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1251
As Engrossed: H2/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, F. ALLEN, BARNES, K. FERGUSON, GRAMLICH, LONG, MAGIE, K. MOORE, PERRY, PILKINGTON, J. RICHARDSON,
BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, IRVIN, D. WALLACE, FLIPPO, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1251 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1276
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SPOUSAL RETIREMENT BENEFITS OF CITY ATTORNEYS OF CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS AND CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, DEPUTY CITY CLERKS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, MAYORS IN CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, AND TREASURERS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1276 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1291
As Engrossed: H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WING, *J. RICHARDSON*
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MINIMUM WAGE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO THE MINIMUM WAGE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS IMPACTING THE LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 5 OF 2018; TO ADD CERTAIN MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS TO THE EXCLUSIONS FROM THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYEE"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1291 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1403
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME ACT OF 2021 TO ALLOW NONHOSPITAL ENTITIES TO BE COMMUNITY BRIDGE ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1403 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1439
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FROM LICENSURE AS A PRIVATE CARE AGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1439 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1440
As Engrossed: H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MASSAGE THERAPY ACT; TO ESTABLISH REGISTRATION FOR MASSAGE THERAPY ESTABLISHMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1440 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1454
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS FOR EMPLOYEES OF SERVICE PROVIDERS; TO ALLOW THIRD-PARTY EMPLOYEE EVALUATION SERVICES TO PERFORM CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS; TO INCLUDE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1454 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1456
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE KIDNEY DISEASE COMMISSION TO BE AN ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1456 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1458
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "CREDENTIALING INFORMATION" WHEN THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD IS PROVIDING INFORMATION TO CREDENTIALING ORGANIZATIONS; TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE STATUS OF UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1458 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1460
As Engrossed: H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPOINTMENTS TO CERTAIN BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COUNCILS BASED ON CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1460 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1465
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING DIRTBIKE USE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY; TO ESTABLISH THE LIABILITY OF AN OWNER OF PRIVATE PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1465 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1527
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON, GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMISSIBLE INVESTMENTS A GUARDIAN OF THE ESTATE MAY MAKE ON BEHALF OF A WARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1527 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1536
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M MCELROY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL BUS PASSENGER RESTRAINT SYSTEMS; TO WITHHOLD STATE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING FROM A SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE PASSENGER RESTRAINT SYSTEMS IN SCHOOL BUSES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1536 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1537
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN, MCGRUDER
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LOCATION ACT FOR COMMUNITY HOMES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1537 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

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AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS REQUESTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m., Thursday, February 27, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FORTY- SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

February 27, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 12:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Boyd requested leave for Senator Penzo. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Boyd.

The Senate was led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance of the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 238 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 238

Amend Senate Bill No. 238 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 8-9-404, concerning rim removal fees, import fees, and commercial generator fees under the Used Tire Recycling and Accountability Act, is amended to read as follows:

8-9-404. ~~Rim removal~~ Tire recycling fees — ~~Import fees — Commercial generator fees — Definitions~~ Definition.

~~(a)(1) There is imposed a rim removal fee upon the transaction of removing a tire from a rim that is related to the sale of a replacement tire by a tire retailer.~~

~~(2) The rim removal fee shall be charged by the tire retailer to a person who:~~

~~(A) Purchases a replacement tire for a rim that necessitates the removal of a different tire from the same rim; or~~

~~(B) Purchases the service of removal of a tire from a rim and replacement with a tire that was not purchased from the tire retailer if the person requesting the rim removal cannot show proof of payment of the rim removal fee under this section for the replacement tire.~~

~~(3)(A) The rim removal fee shall be imposed at the rate of three dollars ($3.00) for each new tire that replaces a tire removed from a rim and one dollar ($1.00) for each used tire that replaces the tire removed from the rim.~~

~~(B) Except for the rim removal fees imposed under this section, a tire retailer shall not charge any other fee to a person who purchases the service of removal of a tire from a rim.~~

~~(C) For any tires collected by a tire retailer, the tire retailer shall ensure that the tires are transported by a licensed tire transporter to a permitted tire collection center, a solid waste management facility, a tire processing facility, or another tire retailer.~~

~~(D) The tire retailer shall account for each tire removed from a rim in the manner prescribed by the Department of Finance and Administration.~~

~~(E) Each tire retailer shall register with the department and comply with all requirements related to collecting and reporting rim removal fees.~~

~~(4) The rim removal fees imposed under this section shall be added to~~

~~the total cost charged by the tire retailer to the purchaser after all applicable gross receipts or compensating use taxes on the tires have been computed and shall be separately stated on the invoice or bill of sale.~~

~~(5)(A) The rim removal fees imposed under this section shall be paid monthly to the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration.~~

~~(B) However, the tire retailer may retain five percent (5%) of the rim removal fee imposed under subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this section for administrative costs.~~

~~(6)(A) The rim removal fees remitted under subdivision (a)(5)(A) of this section shall be collected by the secretary and shall be subject to the Arkansas Tax Procedure Act, § 26-18-101 et seq. and the business closure procedures under § 26-18-1001 et seq.~~

~~(B)(i) Each tire retailer shall file a return with the secretary on or before the twentieth of each month.~~

~~(ii) The return shall show the total rim removal fees collected for each tire removed from the rim during the preceding calendar month.~~

~~(iii) The tire retailer shall remit the rim removal fees with the return.~~

~~(iv) The secretary shall prescribe the form and contents of the return.~~

(a)(1)(A)(i) A tire recycling fee of three dollars ($3.00) is imposed for each new small tire sold by a tire retailer in Arkansas, including without limitation new small tires sold as part of fleet services.

(ii) A tire retailer may charge a fee of up to ten percent (10%) over the tire recycling fee for each new small tire sold by the tire retailer and retain the excess over the tire recycling fee to cover administrative costs of the tire retailer.

(B) A tire retailer shall obtain a tire recycling account number from the Department of Finance and Administration and remit the tire recycling fees collected by the tire retailer to the department on a monthly basis.

(C) A tire retailer shall:

(i) Track all new small tires sold by the tire retailer; and

(ii) Provide an accounting to the department that includes the number and category of new small tires sold in Arkansas and to whom the new small tires were sold.

(D) A tire retailer is subject to field audits by the department.

(E)(i) If a person or entity brings a new small tire purchased from an entity other than the tire retailer to the tire retailer to be placed on a motor vehicle, the tire retailer shall require the person or entity to pay the tire recycling fee under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section unless the person or entity can show that the tire recycling fee was already paid.

(ii) The tire retailer shall not collect the tire recycling fee or require proof of payment of the tire recycling fee under subdivision (a)(1)(E)(i) of this section unless the small tire has eighty percent (80%) or more of the small tire's

vent spews remaining.

(F) No later than the tenth business day of each month, a tire retailer shall submit a report to the department that reflects all new small tires sold by the tire retailer for the previous month and the corresponding tire recycling fees remitted to the department.

(2)(A) A tire recycling fee is imposed for each new small tire equipped in or on a new motor vehicle or trailer sold to a purchaser.

(B) The tire recycling fee under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section shall be three dollars ($3.00) for each new small tire equipped in or on the new motor vehicle or trailer, including a new small tire used as a spare in or on the new motor vehicle or trailer.

(C) Tire recycling fees under subdivision (a)(2)(B) of this section shall be collected by the department at the same time as the new motor vehicle or trailer is registered by the purchaser with the department.

(b)(1) The department shall deposit the proceeds from ~~rim removal~~ tire recycling fees collected under subsection (a) of this section into the State Treasury as special revenues to the credit of the following funds in the following percentages:

(A) Ninety-three percent (93%) to be deposited into the Used Tire Recycling Fund; and

(B) Seven percent (7%), not to exceed the amount deposited in fiscal year 2025, to be deposited into the Division of Environmental Quality Fee Trust Fund.

(2) As used in this section, "proceeds from ~~rim removal~~ tire recycling fees" means all moneys collected and received by the department under this section for ~~rim removal~~ tire recycling fees imposed under subsection (a) of this section and interest and penalties on delinquent ~~rim removal~~ tire recycling fees.

(c)(1)~~(A) There is imposed an import fee of one dollar ($1.00) on each used tire that is imported into Arkansas~~ A tire recycling fee may be imposed by a tire retailer on a large tire or an extra-large tire.

(2)(A) The amount of the tire recycling fee on a large tire or extra-large tire may not exceed the following fee per tire:

(1) For a large tire, five dollars ($5.00); and

(ii) For an extra-large tire, thirty dollars ($30.00).

(B) A tire retailer may charge a fee of up to ten percent (10%) over the tire recycling fee for a new large tire or a new extra-large tire sold by the tire retailer and retain the excess over the tire recycling fee to cover administrative costs of the tire retailer.

(3) The tire recycling fee for a large tire or an extra-large tire may be changed by a tire accountability board only one (1) time per year at the time the business plan for the tire accountability zone is submitted for the fiscal year.

(4)(A) The tire accountability board shall report the proposed tire recycling fee for a large tire or extra-large tire authorized under this subsection to the department by September 30 of each year.

(B) The department shall:

(i) Average the tire recycling fees proposed by the four (4) tire accountability boards; and

(ii) Set a statewide tire recycling fee for a large tire or an extra-large tire that may be charged by the tire retailer under this subsection.

~~(B) A person who imports a used tire shall be registered with the department and comply with all requirements related to collecting and reporting import fees.~~

~~(2) The import fee imposed under this subsection shall be paid by the person who imports the used tire to the department in accordance with the Arkansas Tax Procedure Act, § 26-18-101 et seq., the business closure procedures under § 26-18-1001 et seq., and any rules promulgated by the department.~~

~~(3)(A) The department shall deposit the proceeds from import fees imposed under this subsection into the State Treasury as special revenues to the credit of the following funds in the following percentages:~~

~~(i) Ninety-three percent (93%) to be deposited into the Used Tire Recycling Fund; and~~

~~(ii) Seven percent (7%) to be deposited into the Division of Environmental Quality Fee Trust Fund.~~

~~(B) As used in this section, "proceeds from import fees" means all moneys collected and received by the department under this subsection and interest and penalties on delinquent import fees.~~

(d)~~(1) There is imposed a commercial generator fee upon the transaction of a commercial generator selling or delivering a new tire as part of fleet services~~ The department has exclusive authority and responsibility to audit tire retailers for compliance with this subchapter.

~~(2) The commercial generator fee shall be charged by the commercial generator to a person who in the ordinary course of business is an end user that removes used tires from the rim and replaces them with a new tire.~~

~~(3)(A) The commercial generator fee shall be imposed at the rate of three dollars ($3.00) for each new tire that is sold or delivered to an end user that removes used tires from the rim and replaces them with a new tire.~~

~~(B) Except for the commercial generator fees imposed under this section, the commercial generator shall not charge any other fee to the end user.~~

~~(C)(i) For any used tires collected by a commercial generator, the first transportation of the used tire from the end user to the commercial generator's facility does not require a licensed tire transporter.~~

~~(ii) Any subsequent transportation of the used tire by the commercial generator for recycling or disposal requires a licensed tire transporter and shall be accounted for using the electronic uniform used tire manifest system.~~

~~(D) Each commercial generator shall register with the department and comply with all requirements related to collecting and reporting commercial generator fees.~~

~~(4) The commercial generator fees imposed under this section shall~~

~~be added to the total cost charged by the commercial generator to the end user after all applicable gross receipts or compensating use taxes on the tires have been computed and shall be separately stated on the invoice or bill of sale.~~

~~(5)(A) The commercial generator fees imposed under this section shall be paid monthly to the secretary.~~

~~(B) However, the commercial generator may retain five percent (5%) of the commercial generator fee imposed under subdivision (d)(3)(A) of this section for administrative costs.~~

~~(6)(A) The commercial generator fees remitted in subdivision (d)(5)(A) of this section shall be collected by the secretary and shall be subject to the Arkansas Tax Procedure Act, § 26-18-101 et seq. and the business closure procedures under § 26-18-1001 et seq.~~

~~(B)(i)(a) Each commercial generator shall file a return with the secretary on or before the twentieth of each month.~~

~~(b) The return shall show the total commercial generator fees collected for each tire sold or delivered to the end user during the preceding calendar month.~~

~~(c) The commercial generator shall remit the commercial generator fees with the return.~~

~~(ii) The secretary shall prescribe the form and contents of the return.~~

~~(7) The department shall deposit the proceeds from commercial generator fees collected under this subsection into the State Treasury as special revenues to the credit of the following funds in the following percentages:~~

~~(A) Ninety-three percent (93%) to be deposited into the Used Tire Recycling Fund; and~~

~~(B) Seven percent (7%) to be deposited into the Division of Environmental Quality Fee Trust Fund.~~

~~(8) As used in this section, "proceeds from commercial generator fees" means all moneys collected and received by the department under this section for commercial generator fees imposed under this subsection and interest and penalties on delinquent commercial generator fees.~~

(e)(1) ~~It is the purpose and intent of this section that only one (1) of the following fees imposed under this section be charged for the transaction of removing a tire from a rim that is related to the sale of a replacement tire:~~

~~(A) The rim removal fee; or~~

~~(B) The commercial generator fee.~~

~~(2) If a person establishes that he or she has paid one (1) of the fees for a tire, the tire retailer or tire generator shall not charge an additional fee for that tire.~~

This section applies to in-state and out-of-state tire retailers that sell tires within the state.

(2) The department shall enforce this section under the Arkansas Tax Procedure Act, § 26-18-101 et seq., and the business closure procedures under §

26-18-1001 et seq.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 8-9-405(b)(9)(A), concerning the used tire program reimbursements, is amended to read as follows:

(9)(A) Establish tire collection centers within each county served by the used tire program that accepts tires from tire retailers at no charge if the tire retailer establishes that it:

(i) Collects the ~~rim removal~~ tire recycling fee imposed under § 8-9-404(a); and

(ii) Complies with the electronic uniform used tire manifest system under § 8-9-407.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 8-9-412 is repealed.

~~8-9-412. Additional fees.~~

~~(a) A used tire program may charge an additional fee for the collection and recycling of extra-large tires from sources other than registered tire retailers and for any tires in excess of the maximum under § 8-9-414(b)(7).~~

~~(b) If a used tire program charges an additional fee under this section, the fee shall be collected and retained by the used tire program for costs related to the processing of extra-large tires.~~

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 8-9-413 is amended to read as follows:

8-9-413. Applicability.

The fees imposed by this subchapter shall not apply to~~:~~

~~(1) Large retreaded tires;~~

~~(2) Tires included as part of the equipment of a new vehicle; or~~

~~(3) Tires~~ tires included as part of the equipment of a used vehicle if included in or on the used vehicle at the time of sale and in the sales price of the used vehicle.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code Title 8, Chapter 9, Subchapter 4, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

8-9-416. Online tire sales.

To the extent practicable, the tire recycling fees under this subchapter shall be levied and collected on all online tire sales that otherwise would be subject to tire recycling fees under this subchapter.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301(104), concerning enumerated special revenues collected as Division of Environmental Quality fees, is amended to read as follows:

(104) All Division of Environmental Quality fees, unless otherwise provided by law, § 8-1-105, landfill operator license fees, § 8-6-909, and that portion of ~~new tire waste~~ tire recycling fees, § 8-9-404;

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301(165), concerning the enumeration of special revenues related to rim removal fees and import fees, is amended to read as follows:

(165) That portion of ~~rim removal~~ tire recycling fees ~~and import fees~~, § 8-9-404;"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 238 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 268 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 268

Amend Senate Bill No. 268 as originally introduced:

Add Senator A. Clark

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 268 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 289 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 289

Amend Senate Bill No. 289 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 1, delete "three-eighths percent (3/8%)" and substitute "three hundred seventy-five thousandths percent (0.375%)"

AND

Page 2, line 8, delete "three-eighths percent (3/8%)" and substitute "three hundred seventy-five thousandths percent (0.375%)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 289 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1149 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1149

Amend House Bill No. 1149 as engrossed: H1/28/25:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative intent.

The General Assembly intends to encourage and protect the development of sustainable cultivation of vegetables and fruits at all levels of production, including without limitation on private residential property for personal consumption or noncommercial sharing, as an important interest of the state.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 2, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

2-1-103. Vegetable garden protection — Definitions.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Prohibit" means an act or failure to act by the governing body of a local government that prevents a property owner from using his or her private residential property to cultivate a vegetable garden after compliance with generally applicable local laws and zoning requirements; and

(2) "Vegetable garden" means a plot of ground or an elevated soil bed on private residential property where vegetables, herbs, fruits, flowers, pollinator plants, leafy greens, or other edible plants are cultivated for personal consumption or noncommercial sharing.

(b) A person may cultivate a vegetable garden for personal consumption or noncommercial sharing on his or her own private residential property or on the private residential property of another person with the permission of the property owner in any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state.

(c) A county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state shall not prohibit vegetable gardens on private residential properties."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1149 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 238, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
SENATE BILL NO. 268, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 289, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 238 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 268 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 289 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1149, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1149 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 251, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1413, BY REPRESENTATIVE SHEPHERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam. President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 91, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 254, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 270, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 297, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 307, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET , to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 26, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 127, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 245, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 132, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 188, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 231, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 208, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 211, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass to concur in House amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 272, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1194, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1507, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1514, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS HESTER, J. BRYANT, DEES, J. DOTSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MISS AMERICA'S TEEN 2025 PEYTON BOLLING.

Senate Resolution No. 31 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 3
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER PUBLIC SERVANT, PUBLIC POLICY EXPERT, AND EMMY AWARD-WINNING JOURNALIST ALICE STEWART.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 3 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 329
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ONLINE MARKETPLACE GUARANTEES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 329 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 330
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE APPLICATION AND EXAMINATION FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE; TO AMEND THE CONTENTS OF THE WRITTEN DRIVER'S LICENSE TEST; TO AMEND THE CONTENTS OF THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL; TO ADD HAND SIGNALS USED BY BICYCLE OPERATORS TO THE CONTENTS OF A WRITTEN DRIVER'S LICENSE TEST AND THE DRIVER'S INSTRUCTION MANUAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 330 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 was called up for third reading.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, C. TUCKER, G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, ET AL

A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FORMER REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATOR JOYCE ELLIOTT DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH FOR HER SERVICE TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 was transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Resolution No. 31 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Resolution No. 31 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS HESTER, J. BRYANT, DEES, J. DOTSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MISS AMERICA'S TEEN 2025 PEYTON BOLLING.

Senate Resolution No.31 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Memorial Resolution No. 3 at this time.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Memorial Resolution No. 3 was called up for third reading.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 3
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER PUBLIC SERVANT, PUBLIC POLICY EXPERT, AND EMMY AWARD-WINNING JOURNALIST ALICE STEWART.

Senate Memorial Resolution No.3 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 167 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 167

Amend Senate Bill No. 167 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 9, delete "June 30" and substitute "June 1"

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "June 30" and substitute "June 1"

AND

Page 3, line 6, delete "~~July 1~~ By June 30" and substitute "July 1"

AND

Page 3, line 14, delete "~~1~~ 30" and substitute "1"

AND

Page 3, line 22, delete "~~1~~ 30" and substitute "1"

AND

Page 3, line 31, delete "June 30" and substitute "June 1"

AND

Page 3, line 34, delete "~~July 1~~ July 30" and substitute "July 1"

AND

Page 4, line 17, delete "~~1~~ 30" and substitute "1"

AND

Page 4, line 24, delete "June 30" and substitute "June 1"

AND

Page 4, line 36, delete "June 30" and substitute "June 1"

AND

Page 5, line 10, delete "~~1~~ 30" and substitute "1"

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 167 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 263 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 263

Amend Senate Bill No. 263 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Barker, Eaves, K. Ferguson, Furman, McAlindon, Milligan

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 263 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hill, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 258 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 258 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 258

Amend Senate Bill No. 258 as originally introduced:

Page 11, delete lines 12 through 17, and substitute the following:

"(iv) Precise geolocation data;

(v) Data concerning personal or political affiliations;

(vi) A person's Social Security number, driver's license number, or other government-issued identification number;

(vii) Credentials, that may include a username, login identifier, email address, screen name, or similar identifier in combination with a required security code, access code, or password that would permit access to a consumer's online account; or

(viii) Financial information, that may include a consumer's account number, account login, financial account, or credit or debit card number, in combination with a required security code, access code, or password that would permit access to a consumer's online financial account;"

AND

Page 15, line 31, delete "or"

AND

Page 15, delete line 33, and substitute the following:

"of a purely personal or household activity; or

(24) Data that is processed or maintained for the sole purpose of

detecting, investigating, tracking, reporting, mitigating, or preventing fraudulent or criminal activity, either for the person responsible for the data or on behalf of another person or persons, or assisting law enforcement in any of those activities."

AND

Page 19, delete line 12, and substitute the following:

"(C) Profiling in furtherance of a solely automated decision that produces a"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 258 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1447 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1447

Amend House Bill No. 1447 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Hill

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1447 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 111 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 111
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE DENTIST AND DENTAL HYGIENIST COMPACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 111 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 111. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Irvin, Love.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 111 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 200 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 200
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCLUDE TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS THAT ARE LEASED IN THE EXEMPTION FROM THE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 200 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 200. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.200 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 222 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 222

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, B. JOHNSON, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE, G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO CLARIFY MARKETING BY PROVIDERS UNDER THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 222 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 222. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 222, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 222 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 244 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 244
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING POSTPONEMENT OF JUDGMENT IN DISTRICT COURT; TO PERMIT A SUSPENDED IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE IN CERTAIN DISTRICT COURT CASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 244 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 244. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 244 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 259 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 259
As Engrossed: S2/26/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARKANSAS WATERWAYS COMMISSION TO THE GOVERNOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 259 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 259. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 259 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 260 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 260
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF COURT FINES, FEES, OR COSTS AFTER DEFAULT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 260 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 260. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Flowers.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 260 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 265 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 265
As Engrossed: S2/25/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REDUCE AND MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO WASTEWATER; TO REDUCE AND MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; TO *AMEND* THE APPRENTICESHIP LICENSES! IN^ SOLID WASTE LICENSING; TO AMEND PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 265 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 265.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.265 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1117 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1117

As Engrossed: H1/28/25 H2/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES R. SCOTT, ET AL

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION AND THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION TO DETERMINE THE EARLIEST GRADE IN WHICH IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR STUDENTS TO RECEIVE INSTRUCTION ON FIREARM SAFETY; TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT AND AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO ANNUALLY PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH INSTRUCTION ON FIREARM SAFETY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1117 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1117 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245

As Engrossed: S2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, MADDOX

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST REGISTRATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1245 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan spoke against the bill.

Senator Hammer spoke for the bill.

Senator M. Johnson spoke against the bill.

Senator Irvin requested that House Bill No. 1245 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1256 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1256

As Engrossed: H2/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING TO ISSUE A PROVISIONAL LICENSE FOR A LICENSED ASSOCIATE *COUNSELOR AND A LICENSED ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1256 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1256. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1256 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1478 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1478
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REGISTRATION OF DISEASE INTERVENTION SPECIALISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1478 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1478. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: C. Penzo.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1478 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 167, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

SENATE BILL NO. 263, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 258, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 258 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1447, BY REPRESENTATIVE LONG,
BY: SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 32
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY, INC., FOR ITS POSITIVE IMPACT UPON ITS COMMUNITIES, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD

.Senate Resolution No. 32 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 331

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING COVERAGE FOR GENETIC TESTING FOR INHERITED CANCER MUTATIONS; TO CREATE THE GENETIC TESTING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 331 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 332

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS AND EXPENSES OF THE SEXUAL RISK AVOIDANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 332 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 333
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR S. FLOWERS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES OF A POLICE STATION FACILITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT PINE BLUFF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 333 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 334
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 334 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 335
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 335 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 336
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 336 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 337
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES - BUILDING AUTHORITY DIVISION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 337 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 338

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HILL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR STUDENT FARMERS; TO PROVIDE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES TO BE USED IN RELATION TO A PROJECT FOR A YOUTH FARMING PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 338 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 339

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHILD MALTREATMENT INVESTIGATIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 339 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 340
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN FEES, EXPENSES, AND COSTS IMPOSED ON A JUVENILE OR THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN OF A JUVENILE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 340 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 341
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR FEES, EXPENSES AND COSTS IMPOSED ON A JUVENILE OR PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN OF A JUVENILE FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 341 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 342
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANIMALS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INJURIES TO CERTAIN ANIMALS BY DOGS TO AUTHORIZE TREBLE DAMAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 342 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 343
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATE ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETARY PROCEDURE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATE-OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC PROPERTY; TO AMEND THE AUTOMOBILE AND PICKUP TRUCK ACQUISITION ACT FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 343 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 344
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE HEALTHY EMPLOYEE LIFESTYLE PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE HEALTHY LIFESTYLE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 344 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 345
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROMOTE TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BY IMPROVING EFFICIENCY OF THE PRIVATE CLUB PERMITTING PROCESS OF HOTELS, RESTAURANTS, AND LARGE-EVENT FACILITIES; TO REMOVE AN OVERLY BURDENSOME TAX REQUIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 345 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 346
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATE EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 346 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on SENATE EFFICIENCY.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 33
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE POSITIVE IMPACT OF THE ARKANSAS 4-H PROGRAM ON THE YOUTH OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND TO PROCLAIM 4-H DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL ON MARCH 4, 2025.

Senate Resolution No. 33 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 20 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 75 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

February 27, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam President:

This is to inform you that on February 27, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 206 - ACT 195
Senate Bill No. 228 - ACT 197
Senate Bill No. 17 - ACT 200
Senate Bill No. 136 - ACT 201
Senate Bill No. 178 - ACT 202
Senate Bill No. 147 - ACT 205
Senate Bill No. 165 - ACT 206
Senate Bill No. 166 - ACT 207
Senate Bill No. 185 - ACT 208
Senate Bill No. 202 - ACT 217
Senate Bill No. 207 - ACT 218
Senate Bill No. 63 - ACT 219
Senate Bill No. 234 - ACT 220
Senate Bill No. 169 - ACT 221

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

SENATE BILL NO. 347
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MAYBERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR CERTAIN DENTAL SERVICES AND TO SET AN ANNUAL REIMBURSEMENT CAP FOR ADULT DENTAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 347 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 348
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANNUAL CAP FOR DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY SERVICES WITHIN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 348 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 349
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES FOR THE VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATORS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 349 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 350
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE FUNDING FOR STATE-SUPPORTED MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL DRUG TASK FORCES; TO CREATE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE FOR MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL DRUG TASK FORCES; TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF DRUG TASK FORCE EMPLOYEES, THE DRUG TASK FORCE COORDINATOR, AND DRUG TASK FORCE COORDINATOR EMPLOYEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 350 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECESS OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 16, 2025; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNTIL 12:00 NOON, MAY 5, 2025, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING VETOES, CORRECTING ERRORS OR OVERSIGHTS, COMPLETING ITS WORK ON PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, AND CONSIDERING THE NEED FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE REGULAR SESSION OR TO ADJOURN THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ANY TIME BEFORE THAT DATE IF THEY DETERMINE THAT THERE IS NO NEED TO RECONVENE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT RECONVENED OR ADJOURNED BEFORE 12:00 NOON, MAY 5, 2025, THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS ADJOURNED SINE DIE ON THAT DATE.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1184
As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/11/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE FAIR MORTGAGE LENDING ACT; TO PROTECT A CONSUMER'S PRIVACY IN CERTAIN MORTGAGE APPLICATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1184 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1326
As Engrossed: H2/26/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SPECIAL ALLOWANCES TO ENCOURAGE EARLY RETIREMENT FOR EMPLOYEES OF PUBLICLY SUPPORTED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; TO MANAGE EARLY RETIREMENT WINDOW INCENTIVES FOR *EMPLOYEES OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1326 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1428

As Engrossed: H2/19/25 H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING PUBLIC LODGING; TO PROVIDE A BED HEIGHT REQUIREMENT FOR MOBILITY ACCESSIBLE ROOMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1428 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1452

As Engrossed: H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CLARIFYING THE LAW ON THE USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN CERTAIN PLACES; TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF AN UNSEALED CONTAINER OF CERTAIN FORMS OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN A MOTOR VEHICLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1452 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 291, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 294, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER
SENATE BILL NO. 295, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 296, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 308, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1449, BY REPRESENTATIVE COLLINS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1369, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1466
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FAIR MORTGAGE LENDING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1466 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1499
As Engrossed: H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALE AND PURCHASE PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1499 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1522

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN FUNDS TO MUNICIPALITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW TO ALLOW FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS IN THE MUNICIPAL AID FUND, TURNBACK FUNDS, AND COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX REVENUES TO NEWLY INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1522 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1523

As Engrossed: H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MISSING PERSONS ALERTS; TO CODIFY THE ARKANSAS AMBER ALERT SYSTEM; TO CODIFY THE ARKANSAS SILVER ALERT SYSTEM; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PURPLE ALERT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1523 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1556
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS MUSIC APPRECIATION DAY; TO CHANGE THE DATE ON WHICH ARKANSAS MUSIC APPRECIATION DAY IS CELEBRATED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1556 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1558
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCGREW, ET AL
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS REAL ESTATE COMMISSION; TO CREATE A PROPERTY MANAGEMENT BROKER AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATE LICENSE; TO AMEND THE REAL ESTATE LICENSE LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1558 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

February 27, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 20, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 75, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:50 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 20
SENATE BILL NO. 75

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty-seventh day of February 2025 at 4:05 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 111
SENATE BILL NO. 200
SENATE BILL NO. 244
SENATE BILL NO. 259
SENATE BILL NO. 260
SENATE BILL NO. 265

SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 222

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 20
SENATE BILL NO. 75

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE HOUSE AS ADOPTED

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1184
HOUSE BILL NO. 1428
HOUSE BILL NO. 1452
HOUSE BILL NO. 1466
HOUSE BILL NO. 1499
HOUSE BILL NO. 1523
HOUSE BILL NO. 1556
HOUSE BILL NO. 1558

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1326
HOUSE BILL NO. 1522

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1117
HOUSE BILL NO. 1256
HOUSE BILL NO. 1478

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 3, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTIETH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 3, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Hill requested leave for Senator Irvin. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Reid Terry.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 4.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 4 to SENATE BILL NO. 189

Amend Senate Bill 189 as engrossed S2/24/25:

Add Senator Dees

AND

Add Representative Lundstrum

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 227

Amend Senate Bill No. 227 as engrossed S2/26/25:

Page 7, line 5, delete "(2)(A)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 7, line 12, delete "(e)(3) and (4)" and substitute "(e)(3)-(5)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 15 through 17

AND

Page 7, line 18, delete "~~(2)~~(3)(A)" and substitute "~~(2)~~(3)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 19 through 21, and substitute the following:
"~~(e)~~(1) of this section: Other than governing bodies of municipalities, counties, or public school districts, a governing body may adopt a policy permitting members of the governing body to attend a public meeting remotely."

AND

Page 7, line 24, delete "(B)(i) ~~Notice~~" and substitute "~~(B) Notice~~"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 26 through 34, and substitute the following:
"(4) The ability of the governing body of a public school district to conduct a public meeting remotely shall be governed by § 6-13-619."

AND

Page 7, line 35, delete "~~(3)~~(4)" and substitute "~~(3)~~(5)"

AND

Page 8, line 4, delete "~~(4)~~(5)" and substitute "~~(4)~~(6)"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 15 and 16, and substitute the following:
"(B) Allow other members of the governing body and members of the public, whether physically present at the public meeting or attending the public meeting remotely, at all times to:"

AND

Page 8, line 19, delete "Observe" and substitute "Observe or otherwise understand"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 24 and 25, and substitute the following:
"remotely to hear the other members of the governing body and any public comment."

AND

Page 8, line 26, delete "~~(5)~~(6)" and substitute "~~(5)~~(7)"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 29 through 36, and substitute the following:
"a public meeting remotely shall not receive mileage or per diem for attending the public meeting."

AND

Page 9, delete lines 1 and 2

AND

Page 9, line 3, delete "(7)" and substitute "(8)"

AND

Page 9, line 10, delete "(8)" and substitute "(9)"

AND

Page 9, line 16, delete "(9)" and substitute "(10)"

AND

Page 9, delete line 21, and substitute the following:
"(1)(A) He or she knows or reasonably should know is a poll.

(B) It is not a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if a secretary or administrative assistant of a governing body communicates in writing with one (1) or more members of the governing body for the purpose of conducting a ministerial act, including without limitation scheduling a public meeting of the

governing body or setting the agenda for a public meeting of the governing body.

(C) It is a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if a secretary or administrative assistant of a governing body communicates with one (1) or more members of the governing body to schedule a public meeting of the governing body or set the agenda for a public meeting of the governing body and the communication functionally conducts substantive business of the governing body concerning any matter on which official action would foreseeably be taken by the governing body; or"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 271 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 271

Amend Senate Bill No. 1as originally introduced:

Delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-14-111(j), concerning candidate filing procedures for school board elections, is amended to read as follows:

(j) ~~On the day after the deadline for candidates to file for a position on the board of directors by petition, the~~ The county clerk of the county in which the school district is domiciled for administrative purposes shall certify to the county board of election commissioners the names of those candidates who are registered voters in the school district and the electoral zone, if applicable, and who have qualified for the ballot by petition:

(1) On the date of the certification deadlines under § 7-7-304(b) in:

(A) Even-numbered years for school elections held concurrently with a preferential primary election; and

(B) Odd-numbered-years for school elections held on the date that would be the date of the primary election if it were to be held in that year; or

(2) On the date of the certification deadline under § 7-5-203(b) in:

(A) Even-numbered years for school elections held concurrently with a general election; and

(B) Odd-numbered-years for school elections held on the date that would be the date of the general election if it were to be held in that year."

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 271 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, House Bill No. 1238 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1238

Amend House Bill No. 1238 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 18, Chapter 50, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

18-50-118. Recovery of fees.

(a) A mortgagor may recover reasonable attorney's fees under this subchapter if a court sets aside the statutory foreclosure sale due to a mortgagee's failure to strictly comply with any provision of § 18-50-101 et seq., under § 18-50-116(d)(2)(B)(ii).

(b) A mortgagor shall not be awarded attorney's fees under subsection (a) of this section if the:

(1) Mortgagor and mortgagee reach a mutual resolution of the debt and corresponding foreclosure;

(2) Mortgagor files a petition for bankruptcy while the foreclosure or any related litigation is pending;

(3) Mortgagee instituted the statutory foreclosure while in good faith relying on a policy of title insurance that was subsequently found to be in error;

(4) Mortgagee instituted the statutory foreclosure in good faith without knowledge of unrecorded debt on the subject property;

(5) Mortgagee instituted the statutory foreclosure in good faith without knowledge of assessments, taxes, or liens filed against the subject property subsequent to the final policy of title insurance being issued; or

(6) Mortgage is reinstated under § 18-50-114."

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1238 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Joint Resolution No. 16 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Crowell, and without objection, Senate Joint Resolution No. 16 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 189, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 227, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 271, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 271 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1238, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Sullivan, House Bill No. 1238 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 292, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 351
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 351 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 352
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS STONE, GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ANTISEMITISM IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; TO PROHIBIT ANTISEMITISM IN STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 352 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 353
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE OF THE PRIMARY ELECTION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION SHALL BE HELD IN MARCH; TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 353 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 354
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 354 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECESS OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 16, 2025; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNTIL 12:00 NOON, MAY 5, 2025, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING VETOES, CORRECTING ERRORS OR OVERSIGHTS, COMPLETING ITS WORK ON PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, AND CONSIDERING THE NEED FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE REGULAR SESSION OR TO ADJOURN THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ANY TIME BEFORE THAT DATE IF THEY DETERMINE THAT THERE IS NO NEED TO RECONVENE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT RECONVENED OR ADJOURNED BEFORE 12:00 NOON, MAY 5, 2025, THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS ADJOURNED SINE DIE ON THAT DATE.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Stubblefield.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the Resolution.....24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006 was read third time and concurred in.

House Concurrent Resolution No.1006 was returned to the House as concurred in.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 119 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 119

Amend Senate Bill No. 119 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Pilkington

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 119 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 272 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 272

Amend Senate Bill No. 272 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 11, delete "FORM" and substitute "FORM IN CERTAIN INSTANCES"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER REGISTRATION; TO PROHIBIT PRE-FILLED FIELDS ON A VOTER REGISTRATION FORM IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, § 6."

AND

Page 1, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"an applicant with the party affiliation field blank."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 32 and 33, and substitute the following:
"a pre-filled party affiliation field."

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 272 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1213 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1213

Amend House Bill No. 1213 as engrossed H2/19/25:

Page 2, line 13, delete "an updated healthcare" and substitute "an updated type of healthcare"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1213 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1369 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1369

Amend House Bill No. 1369 as engrossed H2/20/25:

Add Senator J. Dotson as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Amend House Bill No. 1369 as engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 208 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 208

Amend Senate Bill No. 208 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 3 and substitute the following:
"a document or identification card permitted under § 7-1-101(40)."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 208 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 208 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 208

As Engrossed: H2/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO VIEW PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BEFORE OBTAINING A SIGNATURE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 208 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hickey, Stubblefield.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 208, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hickey, Stubblefield.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 208 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 211 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 211

Amend Senate Bill No. 211 as introduced:

Page 1, delete line 28, and substitute the following:
"(j)(1) Except as provided under subdivision (j)(4) of this section, a canvasser shall file a true affidavit with the Secretary of"

AND

Page 2, delete line 2, and substitute the following:
"signatures obtained by the canvasser.

(4)(A) The inability of a canvasser to submit an affidavit due to death or medical disability shall not disqualify the signatures gathered by the canvasser.

(B) Subdivision (j)(4)(A) of this section does not excuse a canvasser from filing the affidavit required under § 7-9-109."

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "§ 7-9-108" and substitute "§ 7-9-111"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD
(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 211 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 211 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 211
As Engrossed: H2/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE A CANVASSER TO SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT BEFORE SIGNATURES CAN BE COUNTED; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 211 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hickey.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 211, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hickey.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 211 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 99 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 99

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT TO DELEGATE CERTAIN TASKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 99 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 99. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 99 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 101 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 101

As Engrossed: S2/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH, *SPRINGER*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSURE COMPACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 101 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 101. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, McKee.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 101 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 118 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 118
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "AUDIOLOGY" RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF AUDIOLOGISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 118 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell spoke against the bill.
Senator Hill spoke for the bill.
The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 25

NEGATIVE: Crowell, Flowers, Hickey, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Rice.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Dees, Hammer, Murdock.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.118 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 167 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 167

As Engrossed: S2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATES BY WHICH APPLICATIONS FOR A TRANSFER UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015 SHALL BE SUBMITTED; TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH A FOSTER CHILD SHALL SUBMIT A REQUEST TO TRANSFER SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 167 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 167. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 167 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 188 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 188

As Engrossed: S2/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO REQUIRE PUBLIC POSTING OF STATEWIDE INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 188 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 188. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.188 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 231 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 231
As Engrossed: S2/17/25 S2/26/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE COZART

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE OFFICE OF THE ARKANSAS LOTTERY; TO CONFER LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY ON SELECT EMPLOYEES OF THE OFFICE OF THE ARKANSAS LOTTERY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 231 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 231. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.231 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 237 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 237
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF CAPTIVE INSURERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 237 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 237. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 237 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 251 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 251
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOHN CARR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS TRAILS COUNCIL; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ARKANSAS TRAILS COUNCIL; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM ON THE ARKANSAS TRAILS COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 251 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 251. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 251 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 263 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 263

As Engrossed: S2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS CROWELL, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JONSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, J. PATON, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. SULLIVAN, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES SCHULZ, ACHOR, ANDREWS, BARNETT, BEATY JR., BENTLEY, BREAUX, BROOKS, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES,

R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, CLOWNEY, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, DALBY, DUFFIELD, DUKE, EATON, ENNETT, EVANS, D. GARNER, GAZAWAY, GONZALES, GONZALES WORTHEN, HALL, HAWK, HENLEY, HOLCOMB, HOLLOWELL, HUDSON, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, MADDOX, MAGIE, MCCLURE, MCCOLLUM, MCCULLOUGH, MCGRUDER, MCNAIR, J. MOORE, K. MOORE, PAINTER, PEARCE, PERRY, PURYEAR, RAY, J. RICHARDSON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SPRINGER, STEIMEL, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, VAUGHT, WALKER, WAREN, D. WHITAKER, WING, WOOLDRIDGE, WOOTEN, *BARKER, EAVES, K. FERGUSON, FURMAN, MCALINDON, MILLIGAN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCREASE THE HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 263 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 263. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 263 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 270 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 270
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING PERIODS OF CERTAIN NONPARTISAN SCHOOL BOARD AND MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 270 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 270. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 270 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 291 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 291

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPLAINTS OF ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS; TO AMEND THE DEADLINES FOR COMPLAINTS OF ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 291 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, English, King, Murdock.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 291 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 294 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 294
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTION AUDITS; TO ALLOW THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO AUDIT A COUNTY IN THE PRECEDING ELECTION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 294 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 294. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Murdock.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 294 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 295 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 295
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPROPRIATION FOR ELECTION EXPENSES; TO ALLOW COMPENSATION FOR A CERTIFIED ELECTION MONITOR AS AN ELECTION EXPENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 295 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 295. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding, Murdock.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.295 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 296 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 296
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION BY THE COUNTY CLERK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Hammer requested Senate Bill No. 296 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 297 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 297
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BECK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPALITIES CHOOSING TO ELECT COUNCIL MEMBERS; TO REQUIRE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE MUNICIPALITY TO FILE THE ORDINANCE DESCRIBING THE ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS WITH THE COUNTY CLERK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 297 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 297. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 297 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 307 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 307
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, M. MCKEE, J. BOYD, S. FLOWERS, R. MURDOCK, B. JOHNSON, B. DAVIS, HESTER, GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC UTILITIES; TO CREATE THE GENERATING ARKANSAS JOBS ACT OF 2025; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Dismang requested Senate Bill No. 307 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 308 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 308
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE; TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 308 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 308. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 308 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1166 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1166

As Engrossed: H1/30/25 H2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE TYPES OF EPINEPHRINE FOR USE IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1166 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1166. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1166 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1194 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1194

As Engrossed: H1/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT ON THE STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS IN RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION OF THE INTEGRATION OF HOXIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1194 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1194. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1194 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1326 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1326

As Engrossed: H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SPECIAL ALLOWANCES TO ENCOURAGE EARLY RETIREMENT FOR EMPLOYEES OF PUBLICLY SUPPORTED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; TO MANAGE EARLY RETIREMENT WINDOW INCENTIVES FOR *EMPLOYEES OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1326 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1326. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1326, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1326 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1413 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1413
As Engrossed: H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BRINE PRODUCTION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF BRINE PRODUCTION UNITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1413 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1413 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1447 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1447

As Engrossed: S2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT A SEPTIC SYSTEM INSTALLER LICENSED UNDER THE ARKANSAS SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS ACT FROM LICENSURE AS A PLUMBER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1447 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1447. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1447 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1449 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1449
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS FOR A CANDIDATE FOR STATE OR DISTRICT OFFICE; TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR FINAL REPORTS; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1449 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1449. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1449 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, House Bill No. 1507 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1507
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL JUSTICE, OR GOVERNANCE SCORES; TO CLARIFY THE EXEMPTIONS FROM DIVESTMENT FOR CERTAIN INVESTMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1507 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1507. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1507 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1514 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1514
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A "CRITICAL-NEED EMPLOYEE"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1514 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1514. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1514 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 106 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 106

JBC 2/27/25 (5)

Senator Dees spoke against the amendment.

Senator Payton spoke for the amendment.

Senator Stubblefield spoke against the amendment.

Senator King spoke for the amendment.

Senator Bryant closed for the amendment.

Amend Senate Bill No. 106 as engrossed S1/29/25:

On page 21, line 31, delete "48,000" and substitute "5,400"

AND

On page 21, line 33, delete "959,272" and substitute "1,001,872"

(SIGNED) JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

Five hands were seen and a roll call was ordered on the question of whether or not Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 106 be adopted.

Motion Failed

So the amendment failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 106 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 132 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 132

JBC 02/27/25 (1)

Amend Senate Bill No. 132 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 6 and 7 in their entirety and substitute the following:

"(04)	BARCLAYS BANK PLS	447,267.00
(05)	COX PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS, INC.	19,917.00
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$8,613,983.61"

And

Page 3, delete lines 35 and 36 in their entirety and substitute the following:

"(03)	KATELYN SPICER	95,000.00
(04)	STERLING DODSON	900,000.00
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$1,391,035.08"

And

Page 4, insert additional SECTIONS immediately following SECTION 10 to read as follows:

" SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for the purpose of paying claims against the State of Arkansas to the payee set out herein:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
(01)	SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	$ 9,907.96

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for the purpose of paying claims against the State of Arkansas to the payee set out herein:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
(01)	SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	$2,157.44

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for the purpose of paying claims against the State of Arkansas to the payee set out herein:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
(01)	SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	$6,607.16

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Revenue Services Division, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, for the purpose of paying claims against the State of Arkansas to the payee set out herein:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
(01)	EXCEL FITNESS BEB IV	$19,000.00"

And

Appropriately renumber the subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 132 was ordered engrossed.

Senator Bryant was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote:

SENATE BILL NO. 26
SENATE BILL NO. 127
SENATE BILL NO. 245

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 26 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 26
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 26 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 26, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 26 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No.127 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 127
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - FAYETTEVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No.127 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 127, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 127 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 245 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 245
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 245 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 245, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 245 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 119, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 272, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1213, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1369, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR S. FLOWERS

A SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER AND HONOR THE LIFE, LEGACY, AND IMPACT OF THE HONORABLE L. CLIFFORD DAVIS.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 4 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 355
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF OBSTRUCTING GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 355 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 356

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ACCESS TO RECORDS OF THE ARKANSAS CRIME INFORMATION CENTER; TO ALLOW DISCLOSURE TO A JUDGE OF INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE ARKANSAS CRIME INFORMATION CENTER BY THE OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT OR CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 356 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

SENATE BILL NO. 357
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; TO APPLY MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT TO A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S TOTAL SERVICE TIME FOR ANNUAL LEAVE ACCRUAL CALCULATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 357 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1442

As Engrossed: H2/24/25 H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SET RESTRICTIONS ON PHARMACY CONTRACTING AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST; TO ESTABLISH PHARMACEUTICAL PATIENT FREEDOM OF CHOICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1442 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1471

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF ALL LICENSES OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1471 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1534

As Engrossed: H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES SCHULZ, ACHOR, ANDREWS, BARNETT, BEATY JR., BENTLEY, BREAUX, BROOKS, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, CLOWNEY, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, DALBY, DUFFIELD, DUKE, EATON, ENNETT, EVANS, D. GARNER, GAZAWAY, J. GONZALES, D. GONZALES WORTHEN, HALL, HAWK, HENLEY, HOLCOMB, HOLLOWELL, HUDSON, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, MADDOX, MAGIE, MCCLURE, MCCOLLUM, MCCULLOUGH, MCGRUDER, MCNAIR, J. MOORE, K. MOORE, PAINTER, PIERCE, PERRY, PURYEAR, RAY, J. RICHARDSON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SPRINGER, STEIMEL, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, VAUGHT, WALKER, WARREN, D. WHITAKER, WING, WOOLDRIDGE, WOOTEN, *BARKER, EAVES, K. FERGUSON, FURMAN, MCALINDON, MILLIGAN*

BY: SENATORS CROWELL, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. SULLIVAN, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCREASE THE HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1534 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1568

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXAMINATIONS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION; TO AMEND THE LAW REQUIRING A POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION WHEN A DEATH IS BY APPARENT DRUG, ALCOHOL, OR POISON TOXICITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1568 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 94 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 139 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 150 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 181 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 186 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 220 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 230 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE BILL NO. 358
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO HIGHER EDUCATION; TO CODIFY THE ARKANSAS RESEARCH EDUCATION AND OPTICAL NETWORK; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REPEAL CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION; TO REPEAL THE LAW RELATED TO DUPLICATION OF SERVICES; TO AMEND CERTAIN LAWS RELATED TO REPORTING; TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS ENERGY SUMMARY AND REPORT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT EXEMPTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO CERTAIN PERSONNEL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO THE SALE OF DONATED LAND; TO AMEND VARIOUS LAW UNDER THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT RELATED TO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 358 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 34
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, HESTER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE NOMINATION OF FORMER GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS MICHAEL DALE "MIKE" HUCKABEE AS UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL.

Senate Resolution No. 34 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 359

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR COMPREHENSIVE OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME PROGRAM GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 359 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 360

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR COMPREHENSIVE OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME PROGRAM GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 360 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 361
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES EXPANSION ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES TO SECURE AND DEVELOP INDUSTRY AND FOSTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S ABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY COMPETE, WIN, AND DEVELOP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS; TO INCREASE JOB CREATION AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 361 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 362
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS TO YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 362 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 363
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS FOR RENOVATION AND CONSTRUCTION-RELATED COSTS FOR SMITH HOSPITAL RESTORATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 363 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 132, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 94, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 139, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 150, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 181, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO. 186, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 208, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 211, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 220, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 230, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 4:21 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 94
SENATE BILL NO. 139
SENATE BILL NO. 150
SENATE BILL NO. 181
SENATE BILL NO. 186
SENATE BILL NO. 208
SENATE BILL NO. 211
SENATE BILL NO. 220
SENATE BILL NO. 230

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this third day of March, 2025 at 4:59 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 99
SENATE BILL NO. 101
SENATE BILL NO. 118
SENATE BILL NO. 167
SENATE BILL NO. 188
SENATE BILL NO. 231
SENATE BILL NO. 237
SENATE BILL NO. 251
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SENATE BILL NO. 270
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SENATE BILL NO. 295
SENATE BILL NO. 297
SENATE BILL NO. 308

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 26
SENATE BILL NO. 127
SENATE BILL NO. 245

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 94
SENATE BILL NO. 139
SENATE BILL NO. 150
SENATE BILL NO. 181
SENATE BILL NO. 186
SENATE BILL NO. 220
SENATE BILL NO. 230

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1442
HOUSE BILL NO. 1471
HOUSE BILL NO. 1534
HOUSE BILL NO. 1568

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1166
HOUSE BILL NO. 1194
HOUSE BILL NO. 1413
HOUSE BILL NO. 1449
HOUSE BILL NO. 1507
HOUSE BILL NO. 1514

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1326

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1447 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED
TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 4, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTY-FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 4, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, M. JOHNSON, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor David Mitchell.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 83 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 83

Amend Senate Bill No. 83 as originally introduced:

Page 6, line 8, delete "deductibles or copayment" and substitute "deductibles, copayment requirements, or coinsurance"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 16 through 23, and substitute the following:
"plan solely for the purpose of avoiding the requirements of this subchapter.

(c) If an enrollee is forced to use an out-of-network provider due to a healthcare insurer's network inadequacy, the enrollee's financial responsibility shall remain at an in-network rate.

23-79-2903. Prior authorization required for breast reconstruction surgery — Single case agreements.

(a) A healthcare insurer shall require prior authorization for breast reconstruction surgery.

(b) If a healthcare insurer does not have a participating provider who provides a breast reconstruction surgery that has been determined as the best course of treatment by a healthcare professional and is consistent with prevailing medical standards and in consultation with the patient, then the healthcare insurer that provides a prior authorization or predetermination of the healthcare service shall automatically approve a single case agreement at the same rate as a participating provider for the out-of-network provider.

23-79-2904. Reimbursement rate — Penalties for late payment or nonpayment."

AND

Page 7, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"professional in a healthcare facility under this subchapter.

(c)(1) In the case of a healthcare insurer that does not reimburse an out-of-network provider or a healthcare facility as required under this section, the healthcare insurer, in addition to making the required payment for the healthcare services, shall pay the out-of-network provider or healthcare facility an amount that is three (3) times the difference between:

(A) The initial payment, or in the case of a notice of denial of payment, zero dollars ($0.00); and

(B) The out-of-network reimbursement rate required under this section, less any cost-sharing required to be paid by the enrollee.

(2) The payment that is required under subdivision (c)(1) of this section is subject to interest in a manner specified by the Insurance Commissioner by rule."

AND

Page 7, delete line 16, and substitute the following:
"void.

(c) This subchapter shall not be used by a healthcare insurer to lower reimbursement rates for other healthcare services involving breast reconstruction provided by a participating provider."

AND

Page 7, line 19, delete "may develop" and substitute "shall develop"

AND

Page 7, line 21, delete "may develop" and substitute "shall develop"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 83 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1508 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1508

Amend House Bill No.1508 as engrossed H2/20/25:

Page 40, line 20, delete "aw" and substitute "law"

AND

Page 139, line 36, delete "mayo" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 571, line 29, delete "19-11-1301" and substitute "19-69-101"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1508 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 83, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 83 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1508, BY REPRESENTATIVE SHEPHERD,
BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1508 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 275, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 280, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 327, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 324, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 242, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 304, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 339, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 293, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1217, BY REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1379, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.
HOUSE BILL NO. 1499, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1556, BY REPRESENTATIVE RYE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 364
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES RELATED TO CONTRACTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 364 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 365
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SMALL BREWERY ACT; TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF THREE SMALL BREWERY TAPROOMS BY A HOLDER OF A SMALL BREWERY LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 365 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 366
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE STRENGTHEN ARKANSAS HOMES ACT; TO CREATE THE STRENGTHEN ARKANSAS HOMES PROGRAM FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 366 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 367
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN FUND FOR POLLUTION CONTROL AND PREVENTION TECHNOLOGIES ACT; TO REPEAL THE SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 367 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 368
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MINERAL, TIMBER, AND OTHER RESOURCES ON STATE LANDS; TO REDUCE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE; TO AMEND THE STATE AGENCIES REQUIRED TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION RELATED TO LEASES AND PERMITS FOR MINERAL, TIMBER, AND OTHER RESOURCES ON STATE LANDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 368 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 369
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT RECYCLING GRANTS; TO REPEAL THE COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC RECYCLING FUND; TO MODIFY THE DISBURSEMENT OF REVENUES GENERATED FROM THE SALE OF AGENCY SURPLUS COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 369 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

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SENATE BILL NO. 370
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS WINE PRODUCERS COUNCIL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 370 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 371
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MISSING CHILDREN; TO ESTABLISH A STANDARDIZED SYSTEM TO AID IN THE SEARCH OF MISSING CHILDREN WHO DO NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR ACTIVATION OF THE ARKANSAS AMBER ALERT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 371 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 372
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SIGNAL LEGEND OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES; TO ALLOW A VEHICLE DRIVER TO ENTER AN INTERSECTION WHILE A RED LIGHT IS INDICATED ON A TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 372 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Resolution No. 33 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 33
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE POSITIVE IMPACT OF THE ARKANSAS 4-H PROGRAM ON THE YOUTH OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND TO PROCLAIM 4-H DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL ON MARCH 4, 2025.

Senate Resolution No.33 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 269 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 269 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 269

Amend Senate Bill No. 269 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 36, delete "primary or branch office" and substitute "primary office, satellite office, or alternate delivery site"

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "(2)(A)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 3 through 8, and substitute the following:
"provide notification to the Department of Health and the Health Services Permit Agency forty-five (45) days in advance of adding an office location from which the home health services agency or hospice agency plans to serve within a one-hundred-mile area of the new location."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 269 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 183 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 4.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 4 to SENATE BILL NO. 183

Amend Senate Bill No.183 as engrossed S2/25/25:

DELETE everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 16 is amended to read as follows:

Subchapter 16 — Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program Act

6-18-1601. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the “Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program Act”.

6-18-1602. ~~Definitions~~ Definition.

As used in this subchapter:

(1)(A) ~~“ACT Assessment”~~ "Assessment" means a test of student educational development that measures student readiness for future learning and that may be used by institutions of higher education as part of their admissions, placement, and scholarship processes and by high schools to improve college and workforce readiness~~; and~~

~~(2) “Smart Core” means:~~

~~(A) The college and career readiness curriculum by that name under the rules of the State Board of Education; or~~

~~(B) A college and career readiness curriculum that is:~~

~~(i) Established by rules of the state board in coordination with the Division of Higher Education; and~~

~~(ii) Substituted for the curriculum named “Smart Core”~~.

(B) "Assessment" includes without limitation:

(i) The ACT test;

(ii) The SAT;

(iii) The CLT;

(iv) The PreACT;

(v) The PSAT 8/9;

(vi) The PSAT 10;

(vii) The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test;

(viii) The CLT 10; or

(ix) The PreACT 8/9; and

(2) "CLT" means the Classic Learning Test administered by Class Learning Initiatives, LLC.

6-18-1603. Creation.

There is created in the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education the Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program to be developed, implemented, and administered by the division as provided in this subchapter.

6-18-1604. Purpose.

The purpose of the Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program is to:

(1) Improve the college readiness of all students in grade eleven (11);

(2) Prevent or minimize the continued remediation of nearly fifty percent (50%) of all students entering Arkansas institutions of higher education in one (1) or more subjects because they do not meet the ~~college~~ recommended readiness score ~~of nineteen (19) or higher~~ on ~~the ACT Assessment~~ an assessment;

(3) Advance the number of students, including students of low income, English-language learners, and minority students, taking ~~the ACT Assessment~~ an assessment while in grade eleven (11) to increase the number of first-generation college students;

(4) Increase the college participation rates among all racial and ethnic groups;

(5) Improve preparation for college and the workforce;

(6) Improve the course selection patterns of high school students;

(7) Increase the early identification of college-ready students; and

(8) ~~Support students participating in the Smart Core by providing a baseline for their college and workforce readiness and an opportunity to benefit from earlier remediation or course selection review; and~~

~~(9)~~ Provide a link between what students have learned, what they need to learn, and what is necessary in order to be college or workforce ready, or both, by providing expectations and measuring their progress.

~~6-18-1605. Smart Core and ACT Assessment.~~

~~(a) The General Assembly finds that students who take the recommended Smart Core courses or students who take additional courses after completing the Smart Core continue to perform better on the ACT Assessment than students who~~

~~take less than the recommended core.~~

~~(b) The recommended core courses according to ACT Assessment officials include:~~

~~(1) Four (4) years or more of English;~~

~~(2) Three (3) years or more of mathematics;~~

~~(3) Three (3) years or more of social studies; and~~

~~(4) Three (3) years or more of natural sciences.~~

6-18-1606. Implementation.

(a) Beginning with the ~~2017-2018~~ 2025-2026 school year, the Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program may provide each student in grades nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), or twelve (12) with the opportunity to take ~~the ACT Assessment~~ an assessment while in grades nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), or twelve (12) ~~without any charge~~ by using ~~school district~~ funding provided to public school districts and open-enrollment public charter schools, including without limitation National School Lunch Act funds, 42 U.S.C. § 1751 et seq., to pay for the ~~exams~~ assessments as approved by the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education.

(b) ~~A~~ Each public school district and open-enrollment public charter school shall allow a student to choose to take ~~the ACT Assessment~~ the following assessments under subsection (a) of this section ~~in grade ten (10) or grade eleven (11)~~:

(1) One (1) of the following in grades nine (9) or ten (10):

(A) The PreACT;

(B) The PSAT 8/9;

(C) The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test;

(D) The PreACT 8/9;

(E) The PSAT 10; or

(F) The CLT 10; and

(2) One (1) of the following in grade eleven (11):

(A) The ACT;

(B) The SAT; or

(C) The CLT.

(c) A public school district or an open-enrollment public charter school shall offer and enable a student, upon the student's request, to take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery at the public school district or open-enrollment public charter school."

6-18-1607. Rules.

The Division of Higher Education and the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall develop rules for the administration of this subchapter.

6-18-1608. Reporting.

The Division of Higher Education and the Division of Elementary and

Secondary Education shall submit a combined annual report to the Legislative Council by December 1 of each year that ~~establishes~~:

(1) Establishes compliance with this subchapter~~, provides~~;

(2) Provides data on the number of participants in the Universal ~~ACT~~ Assessment Program~~,~~; and ~~outlines~~

(3) Outlines the impact of this program on the college readiness of high school seniors and the remediation rates at institutions of higher education."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 183 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 91 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 91

As Engrossed: S2/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RAY, B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS SHALL HAVE NO AUTHORITY TO REGULATE OR CONTROL THE AMOUNT CHARGED FOR A RENTAL APPLICATION FEE OR RENTAL DEPOSIT FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 91 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding spoke against the bill.

Senator Penzo closed for the bill.

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 91. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore , Hammer , Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.91 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 100 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 100

As Engrossed: S2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, *SPRINGER*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO RECOGNIZE A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT AS A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 100 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.100. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 100 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 119 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 119
As Engrossed: S3/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 119 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 119. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Irvin.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dotson.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 119 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 254 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 254

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RURAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PROPERTY IN KIND"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 254 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.254. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.254 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 272 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 272

As Engrossed: S3/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER REGISTRATION; TO PROHIBIT PRE-FILLED FIELDS ON A VOTER REGISTRATION FORM IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, § 6; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 272 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.272. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.272 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 292 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 292
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DATE OF AN ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION; TO MOVE THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION IF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION IS SCHEDULED ON A STATE HOLIDAY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 292 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.292. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 292, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 292 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 296 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 296
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION BY THE COUNTY CLERK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 296 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.296. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.296 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 307 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 307
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, M. MCKEE, J. BOYD, S. FLOWERS,
R. MURDOCK, B. JOHNSON, B. DAVIS, HESTER, GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC UTILITIES; TO CREATE THE GENERATING ARKANSAS JOBS ACT OF 2025; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Dismang requested that the bill be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1213 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1213

As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H2/19/25 S3/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES ACHOR, GRAMLICH, *L. JOHNSON*

BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, *K. HAMMER*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT; TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF "ATHLETE" WITHIN THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS *ACT; TO DEFINE "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" REGARDING STUDENT ATHLETE CONCUSSION EDUCATION; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1213 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1213. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1213 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1369 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1369

As Engrossed: H2/20/25 S3/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAXIMUM CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMIT BY THE ARKANSAS ETHICS COMMISSION; AMENDING PORTIONS OF LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1369 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1369. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1369, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1369 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed as amended.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 183, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 269, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 269 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 373
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS FINANCIAL EDUCATION COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 373 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 374
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 374 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 375

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS STONE, M. MCKEE, J. BRYANT, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HESTER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, J. PAYTON, J. PETTY, RICE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF CAPITAL RAPE; TO AMEND A PORTION OF ARKANSAS CODE WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 3 OF 1936; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 375 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

March 4, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on March 4, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 139 - ACT 232
Senate Bill No. 94 - ACT 233
Senate Bill No. 150 - ACT 234
Senate Bill No. 186 - ACT 235
Senate Bill No. 220 - ACT 236
Senate Bill No. 230 - ACT 237
Senate Bill No. 208 - ACT 240
Senate Bill No. 211 - ACT 241
Senate Bill No. 181 - ACT 242
Senate Bill No. 20 - ACT 243
Senate Bill No. 75 - ACT 244

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

Senate Bill No. 26 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 48 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 245 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE BILL NO. 376

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC MEETINGS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 376 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 26, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 48, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 245, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:56 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 26
SENATE BILL NO. 48
SENATE BILL NO. 245

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this fourth day of March, 2025 at 4:11 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1146
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1146 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1169
As Engrossed: H1/30/25 H2/6/25 H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR AN INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT TO INCLUDE A PERSON WHO IS IN A MENTAL CONDITION AS A RESULT OF A MEDICAL CONDITION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1169 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1175
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF HERITAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1175 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1253
As Engrossed: H2/26/25 H3/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL LICENSURE INTERSTATE COMPACT IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1253 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1370

As Engrossed: H3/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, COZART

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MAKING UP MISSED SCHOOL DAYS; TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL DAYS OR HOURS, AS APPLICABLE, IN ITS SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING UP MISSED SCHOOL DAYS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1370 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1489

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, ET AL

BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, CALDWELL, CROWELL, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, J. PAYTON, RICE, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. SULLIVAN, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE METHOD OF EXECUTION TO INCLUDE NITROGEN GAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1489 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1493
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1493 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1510
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLE FIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF MUNICIPALITIES; TO REPEAL THE AUTHORITY FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO EXERCISE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OVER AN UNINCORPORATED AREA OF A COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1510 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1544

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE TURNBACK FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 140 OF 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1544 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1586

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID WAIVER FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER TO CLARIFY THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF QUALIFIED PROFESSIONALS TO DIAGNOSE AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1586 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 91
SENATE BILL NO. 100
SENATE BILL NO. 119
SENATE BILL NO. 254
SENATE BILL NO. 272
SENATE BILL NO. 296

SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED /EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 292

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 48

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED/ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 26
SENATE BILL NO. 245

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1169
HOUSE BILL NO. 1253
HOUSE BILL NO. 1370
HOUSE BILL NO. 1489
HOUSE BILL NO. 1510
HOUSE BILL NO. 1586

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1146
HOUSE BILL NO. 1175
HOUSE BILL NO. 1493
HOUSE BILL NO. 1544

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1213 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1369 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTY-SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 5, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Reverend Ron Riddle.

The Senate was led the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 120 was withdrawn from the Committee on HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 120

Amend Senate Bill No. 120 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives K. Moore, L. Johnson

AND

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 8, and substitute the following:
"(B) Complete forty (40) hours of training as determined by the board; and

(4)(A) Establish an annual licensure fee of one thousand dollars ($1,000) for a private care agency.

(B) If a private care agency does not renew its license and pay the annual licensure fee under subdivision (c)(4) of this section on or before the expiration of the license, the private care agency shall:

(i) Pay a late renewal fee of an additional ten dollars ($10.00) per day for up to seven (7) calendar days after the expiration date of the license; and

(ii) If renewed after seven (7) calendar days after the expiration date of the license, submit a new application for licensure."

AND

Page 4, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"based agency for one (1) year at an institution of higher education.

(D) Subdivisions (a)(1)(A)-(C) of this section shall only apply to a private care agency when providing care to Medicaid beneficiaries; and"

AND

Page 5, delete line 2, and substitute the following:
"hundred-mile radius of a patient's home.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act shall be effective on and after January 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 120 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 205 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 205

Amend Senate Bill No. 205 as originally introduced:

Add Representative McCollum

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 205 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Flowers, Senate Bill No. 333 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 333

Amend Senate Bill No. 333 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete Section 2 in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent section numbers.

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 333 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1186 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1186

Amend House Bill No. 1186 as engrossed H2/12/25:

Page 1, line 31, delete "Administration for" and substitute "Administration with no therapeutic equivalent for"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1186 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 179 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 179 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Resolution No. 34 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 34
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, HESTER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE NOMINATION OF FORMER GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS MICHAEL DALE "MIKE" HUCKABEE AS UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL.

Senate Resolution No. 34 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark the Senate recessed until 1:55 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 120, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 205, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 333, BY SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 120 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 205 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Flowers, Senate Bill No. 333 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1186, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, HOUSE Bill No. 1186 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 183, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 303, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended Nos. 1 & 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 317, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 298, BY SENATOR TERRY RICE,
SENATE BILL NO. 300, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1452, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1465, BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 189, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRWOMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 284, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1182, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 219, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 35
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, GILMORE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS AND NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION STAR SCOTTIE PIPPEN FOR HIS ACHIEVEMENTS AND FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO HIS COMMUNITY, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 35 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 36

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, A. CLARK

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE HOT SPRINGS WORLD CLASS HIGH SCHOOL PREVENTION STAFF AND STUDENT CLUB MEMBERS AND THE HOT SPRINGS JUNIOR ACADEMY EAST TEACHERS AND STUDENTS IN HONOR OF PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH.

Senate Resolution No. 36 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 37

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR DEES

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 2025 AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH AND SUPPORT THE HUMANITARIAN MISSION OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Senate Resolution No. 37 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 5

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER PASTOR ROBERT J. JENKINS FOR HIS GOOD WORKS AND DEVOTED SERVICE IN HIS COMMUNITY AND THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 5 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 377
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE GROCERY TAX RELIEF ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SALES AND USE TAXES LEVIED ON FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS, AS AFFIRMED BY REFERRED ACT 19 OF 1958; TO EXEMPT FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS FROM STATE SALES AND USE TAXES; TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES TO ARKANSAS TAX LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 377 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 378
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION SUBMIT A QUARTERLY REPORT CONCERNING THE TRAINING ACTIVITIES OF THE ARKANSAS INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 378 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 379
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE TAX ADVISORY COUNCIL; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE TAX ADVISORY COUNCIL TO SUBMIT A REPORT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 379 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 380
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 380 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 381
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE MULTISTATE TAX COMMISSION AND ARKANSAS'S PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 381 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 382
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE CAPITAL ACCESS FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 382 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 383
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ANNUAL REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THE VENTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT ACT OF 2001; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 383 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 384
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY SUBMIT A PROGRAM FACT SHEET TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT FOR EACH NEW BOND ISSUE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 384 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 385
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE RURAL SERVICES DIVISION OF THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION SUBMIT A BIENNIAL REPORT CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE DIVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 385 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 386
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING CHANGES MADE IN FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAWS AND REGULATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 386 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 387
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING ENTITIES; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING ENTITIES TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE AND EXPEDITED OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 387 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 388
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENT RELATED TO THE PROGRESS OF FOREIGN OFFICES OF THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 388 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 389
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 389 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 390
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE APPRENTICESHIP AGENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 390 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 391
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ROBOTICS COMPETITION GRANT PROGRAM FOR ELIGIBLE ROBOTICS TEAMS IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING STUDY IN THE FIELDS OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 391 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 301, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 302, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 320, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 328, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN,

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 313, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN,

The morning hour expired.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 242 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 242

Amend Senate Bill No. 242 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 15, delete "A renewal," and substitute "Each renewal,"

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 242 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 293 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 293

Amend Senate Bill No. 293 as originally introduced:

Page 3, delete lines 13 through 25, and substitute the following:
"polling site; and"

AND

Page 3, line 26, delete "(M)(i)" and substitute "(L)(i)"

AND

Page 4, line 2, delete "subdivision (c)(1)(M)(i)(b)" and substitute "subdivision (c)(1)(L)(i)(b)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 293 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Mark Johnson, Senate Bill No. 324 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 324

Amend Senate Bill No. 324 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 31, delete "At least two-thirds (⅔)" and substitute "A majority"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 324 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 351 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 351 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 351

Amend Senate Bill No. 351 as originally introduced:

Delete SECTION 5 in its entirety

AND

Delete SECTION 12 in its entirety

AND

Delete SECTION 14 in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 351 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1558 at this time.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1558 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1558

Amend House Bill No. 1558 as originally introduced:

Page 28, delete line 36, and substitute the following:

"(b) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) Each of the existing rules of the commission is necessary for the efficient operation of the commission; and

(2) The repeal of any of the commission's rules would cause unnecessary hardship and may render the commission unable to fully discharge its duties and responsibilities."

AND

Page 29, delete lines 1 through 10

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1558 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 378 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 378 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 383 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 383 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 387 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 387 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 389 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY AND LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 389 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 385 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 385 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 275 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 275
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 275 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 275. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 275 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 280 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 280
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION AS THE CUSTODIAN OF ALL PROPERTY AND THE DISBURSING AGENT OF ALL FUNDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE GEOLOGIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 280 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 280. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 280 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 304 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 304

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A CLASS OF REGISTERED VOTERS THAT HAVE CHANGED THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE TO CAST A VALID BALLOT; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, § 19; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 304 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 304 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 307 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 307
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, M. MCKEE, J. BOYD, S. FLOWERS, R. MURDOCK, B. JOHNSON, B. DAVIS, HESTER, GILMORE
REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC UTILITIES; TO CREATE THE GENERATING ARKANSAS JOBS ACT OF 2025; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 307 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey spoke against the bill.
Senator Hester spoke for the bill.
Senator Caldwell spoke against the bill.
Senator Wallace spoke for the bill.
Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator Mckee spoke for the bill.
Senator Dismang closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 17

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Dotson, Murdock, Tucker.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Sullivan.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 307, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 17

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Dotson, Murdock, Tucker.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Sullivan.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Dismang moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 307 and the Emergency Clause failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 307 and the Emergency Clause failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 5, 2025.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 327 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 327
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PAYMENTS TO LOCALITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 327 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 327. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Johnson, B..

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.327 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 339 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 339

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHILD MALTREATMENT INVESTIGATIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 339 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, Johnson, B., Leding, Murdock, Scott.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 339 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1217 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1217

As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H2/24/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE INTERSTATE MASSAGE COMPACT IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1217 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice spoke against the bill.

Senator Penzo spoke for the bill.

Senator Wallace closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 20

NEGATIVE: Clark, Irvin, Johnson, M., Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Stone.

Total 8

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....27
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1217 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1379 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1379
As Engrossed: H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SPECIAL AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEALS AND LODGING WHILE TRAVELING ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1379 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1379. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1379 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1499 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1499

As Engrossed: H2/24/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATAIVE RAY

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALE AND PURCHASE PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1499 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1499. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1499 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1556 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1556
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS MUSIC APPRECIATION DAY; TO CHANGE THE DATE ON WHICH ARKANSAS MUSIC APPRECIATION DAY IS CELEBRATED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1556 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1556. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1556 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 132 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 132

As Engrossed: S3/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO OTHER APPROPRIATIONS MADE BY THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PAY APPROVED CLAIMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 132 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 132. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 132, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 132 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Bryant was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on the batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1146 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1146
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1146 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1146, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1146 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1175 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1175
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF HERITAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1175 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1175, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1175 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1493 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1493
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1493 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1493, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1493 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1544 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1544

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE TURNBACK FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 140 OF 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1544 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1544, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1544 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 242, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 293, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 324, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 351, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 351 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1558, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW,
BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1558 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE

SENATE BILL NO. 392
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 392 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 393
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE MAIGHEN'S LAW; TO AMEND THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 393 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 394
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, HESTER, DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COUNTY SALES AND USE TAXES FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; TO ALLOW A COUNTY TO REFER TO THE VOTERS A CHANGE IN THE ALLOCATION OR DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUES FROM A COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; TO PROHIBIT A MUNICIPALITY FROM PLEDGING REVENUES FROM A COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO REPAY BONDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 394 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 395
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HICKEY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST; AMENDING A PORTION OF ARKANSAS LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1988; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 395 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 226 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 253 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 226, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 253, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 4:13 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 226
SENATE BILL NO. 253

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this fifth day of March, 2025 at 4:27 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION. NO.1007
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, ET AL
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO REEVALUATE THE MEDICARE PHYSICIAN FEE SCHEDULE LOCALITY STRUCTURE AND ENSURE ACCURATE GEOGRAPHIC PRACTICE COST INDICES FOR THE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS OF THIS STATE.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1007 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1185
As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H2/26/25 H2/27/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE DIETITIAN LICENSURE COMPACT IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1185 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1268
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY TO BECOME A PARTICIPATING PUBLIC EMPLOYER AND FOR ITS EMPLOYEES TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1268 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1325
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS REGARDING CREDITED SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO ALLOW A MEMBER OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO RECEIVE SERVICE CREDIT FROM SERVICE UNDER AN ALTERNATE RETIREMENT PLAN TO MEET ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR A RETIREMENT BENEFIT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1325 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1347
As Engrossed: H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANNUITIES AND BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT *SYSTEM; TO ALLOW THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO PAY AN ANNUITY OR BENEFIT OWED TO A PERSON TO A SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST ESTABLISHED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PERSON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1347 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1348
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARREN, K. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SURVIVOR BENEFITS FOR THE DEPENDENT CHILD OF A MEMBER OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR A MEMBER OF THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1348 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1365
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE RACIAL AND GENDER QUOTAS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP FOR CERTAIN BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COUNCILS, AND COMMISSIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1365 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1400
As Engrossed: H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REDEMPTION OF A TAX-DELINQUENT PARCEL; TO EXEMPT DISABLED VETERANS FROM CERTAIN PENALTIES WHEN REDEEMING A TAX-DELINQUENT PARCEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1400 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1477
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARKER
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS TEACHER OF THE YEAR ACT; TO ALLOW THE GOVERNING BODY OF AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO SUBMIT AN APPLICANT FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE ARKANSAS TEACHER OF THE YEAR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1477 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1496
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO ENSURE ARKANSAS STUDENTS ARE TAUGHT BY QUALIFIED TEACHERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1496 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1502
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF A HISTORIC OR SPECIAL INTEREST VEHICLE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANTIQUE MOTOR VEHICLE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1502 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1552
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN INCHOATE OFFENSES RELATED TO FENTANYL; TO ESTABLISH THE CLASSIFICATION FOR A CRIMINAL ATTEMPT, SOLICITATION, OR CONSPIRACY FOR CERTAIN FENTANYL RELATED OFFENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1552 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1559
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO SEEK A WAIVER TO THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR COVERAGE FOR INPATIENT TREATMENT SERVICES FOR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1559 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1581
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HENLEY, ET AL
BY: SENATORS J. ENGLISH, IRVIN, B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITION OF SEX OFFENSE FOR RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF A CRIME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1581 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1593
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE REPORTS MADE TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY THE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS, DIVISION OF CORRECTION, AND DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION; TO COMBINE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1593 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1596
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE; TO CREATE MOBILE WORK ZONES; TO ASSESS A FINE FOR A MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATION IN A MOBILE WORK ZONE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1596 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1597
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1597 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1605
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-GENERAL CONTRACTOR METHOD OF PROCUREMENT PILOT PROGRAM; TO MAKE THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-GENERAL CONTRACTOR METHOD OF PROCUREMENT PROGRAM PERMANENT FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT STUDY OF THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-GENERAL CONTRACTOR METHOD OF PROCUREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1605 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1609
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, ET AL
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, IRVIN, J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO CREATE AN ENHANCED PENALTY FOR RECRUITING TRAFFICKED PERSONS FROM CERTAIN PLACES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1609 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 275
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SENATE BILL NO. 304
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AS PASSED /EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 132

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AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

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HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1185
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AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1609

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AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1499
HOUSE BILL NO. 1556

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1146
HOUSE BILL NO. 1175
HOUSE BILL NO. 1493
HOUSE BILL NO. 1544

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1007

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 6, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTY-THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 6, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Leding requested leave for Senator Dotson. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Dr. Mark Tolbert.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 5 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 5

Amend Senate Bill No. 5 as engrossed S1/16/25:

Page 2, line 26, delete "The Attorney General shall use the fund" and substitute "The fund shall be used"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 5 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 6 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 6

Amend Senate Bill No. 6 as engrossed S1/16/25:

Page 2, line 25, delete "The Attorney General shall use the fund" and substitute "The fund shall be used"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 6 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 5, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 6, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 5 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 6 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 345, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 365, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 374, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 276, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 309, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 329, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1184, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1238, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH
HOUSE BILL NO. 1307, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1309, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1466, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH
HOUSE BILL NO. 1405, BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHARDSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

\ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 64, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 333, BY SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS,
SENATE BILL NO. 334, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 335, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 336, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 337, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 22, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 344, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 351, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 370, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 299, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 343, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 353, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1568, BY REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

March 6, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President Pro Tempore:

This is to inform you that on March 6, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 48 - ACT 246
Senate Bill No. 226 - ACT 247
Senate Bill No. 253 - ACT 256
Senate Bill No. 26 - ACT 257
Senate Bill No. 245 - ACT 258

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 38
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR R. MURDOCK

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 13, 2025, AS IOTA PHI THETA FRATERNITY, INC., DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 38 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 396
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION TO ISSUE TO CERTAIN NONRESIDENTS A HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSE FOR THE COST OF A RESIDENT LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 396 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 397
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION OF RAIL EMPLOYEES IN REPORTS INVOLVING RAILROAD FATALITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 397 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 398
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; TO ALLOW A CURE PERIOD FOR INSUFFICIENT SUBMISSIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 398 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 399
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ANTI-ATF COMMANDEERING ACT; TO PROHIBIT THE PROVISION OF MATERIAL AID AND SUPPORT FOR ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL FIREARMS LAWS; TO PROHIBIT AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OR PUBLIC EMPLOYEE FROM ASSISTING IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL FIREARMS LAWS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 399 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 400
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MILLIGAN, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE FAIR-FUNDING PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 400 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Flowers, Senate Memorial Resolution No. 4 was called up for third reading.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 4
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR S. FLOWERS

A SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER AND HONOR THE LIFE, LEGACY, AND IMPACT OF THE HONORABLE L. CLIFFORD DAVIS.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 4 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Resolution No. 35 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 35
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, GILMORE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS AND NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION STAR SCOTTIE PIPPEN FOR HIS ACHIEVEMENTS AND FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO HIS COMMUNITY, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 35 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator M. Johnson the Senate recessed until 2:04 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 303 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 303

Amend Senate Bill No. 303 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 22, and substitute the following:
"participate approved by the Arkansas Activities Association.

(c) A private school student who participates in an interscholastic activity that does not occur during a designated class period at his or her resident school shall be enrolled in a nonacademic class period in his or her resident school that coincides with the interscholastic activity that does not occur during a designated class period in which the private school student participates in order for the resident school district to receive an amount equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the state foundation funding amount provided under § 6-20-2305 for the duration of the private school student's enrollment in the resident school district."

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 303 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 303

Amend Senate Bill No. 303 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 13 and 14, and substitute the following:

"(5) "Resident school" means:

(A) A public school to which a student would be assigned by the student's resident school district; or

(B) An open-enrollment public charter school with a campus located within the student's resident school district; and"

AND

Page 2, line 18, delete "district may" and substitute "district or an open-enrollment public charter school may"

AND

Page 2, line 20, delete "district if the" and substitute "if the"

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 303 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 313 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 313

Amend Senate Bill No. 313 as originally introduced:

Page 13, delete lines 16 and 17, and substitute the following:
"department shall be responsible for the cost of the psychotropic medication prescribed by the department's designated vendor as necessary to restore the defendant's fitness to proceed."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 313 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 317 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 317

Amend Senate Bill No. 317 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Achor, Andrews, Barker, Beaty Jr., Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, Brooks, K. Brown, M. Brown, N. Burkes, R. Burkes, Joey Carr, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Eaton, Evans, Furman, Gazaway, Gramlich, Hall, Hawk, Hollowell, L. Johnson, Long, Lundstrum, Lynch, Maddox, McAlindon, McClure, M. McElroy, McGrew, B. McKenzie, McNair, Milligan, J. Moore, Nazarenko, Painter, Pearce, Perry, Pilkington, Ray, R. Scott Richardson, Richmond, Rose, Rye, Schulz, M. Shepherd, Torres, Tosh, Underwood, Unger, Vaught, Walker, Wing, Wooten

AND

Page 1, line 31, delete "Conduct" and substitute "Conduct classified"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 32 through 33, and substitute the following:

"(2) Conduct agricultural research under a contract;

(3) Sell agricultural products, including without limitation seeds;"

AND

Page 1, line 34, delete "(3)" and substitute "(4)"

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "(4)" and substitute "(5)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 317 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 246 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 246 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 246

Amend Senate Bill No. 246 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Evans, Beaty Jr., Brooks, Eubanks, Wardlaw, Barker, K. Brown, M. Brown, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Crawford, Gramlich, Hawk, McAlindon, McClure, S. Meeks, Nazarenko, Rose, Torres, Wing, Achor, Beck, Eaves, Unger, Andrews

AND

Page 15, line 11, delete "6-15-202" and substitute "6-15-202(f)(21), concerning reporting of statutory requirements of accelerated learning by a superintendent,"

AND

Page 15, delete lines 12 through 36

AND

Page 16, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 17, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 18, delete lines 1 through 20

AND

Page 18, delete lines 23 through 36

AND

Page 19, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 20, delete lines 1 through 18

AND

Page 31, line 36, delete "received," and substitute "received~~,~~"

AND

Page 32, delete lines 1 and 2, and substitute the following:
"~~except for advanced placement courses~~"

AND

Page 37, delete lines 17 and 18, and substitute the following:
"(A) Be admitted by the institution of higher education ~~as a nondegree or noncertificate-seeking student~~; and"

AND

Page 38, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

"(c)(1) Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year and each year thereafter, the tuition rate for a concurrent credit course offered by a public school district or open-enrollment public charter school in partnership with an institution of higher education shall:

(A) For every one (1) academic credit hour provided by an institution of higher education, be an agreed amount that is not:

(i) More than two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the per-pupil amount established under § 6-20-2305 that is allotted per student each year; and

(ii) Less than one-half percent (0.5%) of the per-pupil amount established under § 6-20-2305 that is allotted per student each year; and

(B) Not exceed the standard tuition rate and fee structure of the institution of higher education providing the concurrent credit course.

(2)(A) The amount established under subdivision (c)(1)(A) of this section may be satisfied through the following sources:

(i) ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program funds;

(ii) Funding from the school district where a student is enrolled;

(iii) Other consideration agreed to by the public school district or open-enrollment public charter school and institution of higher education; and

(iv) Any other available sources as determined by the Division of Higher Education.

(B) An institution of higher education shall not receive funding for concurrent credit courses for tuition at secondary vocational centers under § 6-51-301 et seq. if the institution of higher education is already receiving funding designated for vocational center aid.

(3) A student or a student's parent or guardian shall not be responsible for tuition, fees, or materials for participation in a concurrent credit course."

AND

Page 39, delete lines 1 through 29

AND

Page 47, delete line 13, and substitute the following:

"~~(ii)~~(B) ~~The Division~~ A representative from the Office of Learning"

AND

Page 48, line 31, delete "An Arkansas resident" and substitute "~~resident~~ Resident"

AND

Page 61, line 3, delete "for credit"

AND

Page 65, delete lines 28 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(f) A state-supported institution of higher education shall not:

(1) Collect and report information related to DEI for institutional accreditation purposes;

(2) Comply with any institutional accreditation requirement related to DEI, including without limitation the requirement of a diversity statement from a state-supported institution of higher education or any employee or contractor of a state-supported institution of higher education; or

(3) Comply with any institutional accreditation requirement of an accrediting agency that would require the state-supported institution of higher education to violate this subchapter."

AND

Page 66, delete lines 1 through 4

AND

Page 66, delete lines 13 through 15, and substitute the following:

"(h)(1) Upon the president or chancellor of a state-supported institution of higher education receiving notice from the Attorney General of a violation of this section, a state-supported institution of higher education that does not immediately make all reasonable efforts to resolve the violation of this section shall demonstrate compliance with all requirements of this section within a reasonable time."

AND

Page 67, delete lines 4 and 5, and substitute the following:

"(l) This subchapter does not prohibit a state-supported institution of higher education from directing recruitment, advertisement, or promotion efforts to a specific population of prospective or existing students.

(m) This subchapter may be enforced by the Attorney General on behalf of the state."

AND

Page 71, line 22, delete "of arts"

AND

Page 71, line 31, delete "writing that" and substitute "writing by the state-supported institution of higher education awarding the associate degree that"

AND

Page 71, line 34, delete "and"

AND

Page 72, delete lines 1 through 8, and substitute the following:
"under subdivision (c)(6)(B)(ii)(a) of this section; and

(d) Awarded the associate degree by the four-year state-supported institution of higher education if the student elects to be awarded the associate degree by the four-year state-supported institution of higher education upon completion of the degree requirements.

(C)(i) Except as provided in subdivision (c)(6)(B)(ii)(d), a four-year state-supported institution of higher education shall:

(a) Identify each student who has completed at least sixty (60) hours of academic credit and met the state core curriculum requirements; and

(b) Forward a copy of the student's transcript to the two-year state-supported institution of higher education.

(ii) If a student attended more than one (1) two-year state-supported institution of higher education, the student's transcript shall be sent to the two-year state-supported institution of higher education that provided the largest number of credit hours.

(iii) The two-year state-supported institution of higher education shall notify the four-year state-supported institution of higher education if the associate degree has been conferred.

(iv) Upon notification, the four-year state-supported institution of higher education is no longer required to forward subsequent transcripts of the student at the completion of each term."

AND

Page 73, line 25, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 73, delete lines 27 through 29, and substitute the following:

"(i) General revenues authorized by law; and
(ii) Any other funds as provided by law."

AND

Page 77, delete lines 32 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(4)(A) A state-supported institution of higher education may require an immediate for cause review of a faculty member as described in subsection (f) of this section.

(B) A tenured faculty member may appeal a state-supported institution of higher education's performance review decision in accordance with the provisions set by the state-supported institution of higher education in its faculty performance review framework.

(C) A state-supported institution of higher education shall provide a tenured faculty member with appropriate due process."

AND

Page 78, delete lines 1 through 4

AND

Page 78, delete line 30, and substitute the following:

"(iii) Revoked.

(3) A copy of the report under subdivision (d)(2) of this section shall be provided to the division and the Legislative Council."

AND

Page 79, line 1, delete "for cause"

AND

Page 79, delete line 22, and substitute the following:

"(g) This section shall not affect the ability of a state-supported institution of higher education to terminate or take other action against a nontenured or at-will faculty member in accordance with the policies of the state-supported institution of higher education."

AND

Page 82, line 18, delete "Scholarships" and substitute "State-funded Scholarships"

AND

Page 82, line 23, delete "Scholarships" and substitute "State-funded Scholarships"

AND

Page 82, delete lines 26 and 27, and substitute the following:

"6-80-202. Residency classification for state-funded scholarships administered by Division of Higher Education."

AND

Page 82, line 29, delete "scholarship" and substitute "state-funded scholarship"

AND

Page 82, line 31, delete "scholarship" and substitute "state-funded scholarship"

AND

Page 82, delete lines 33 through 36, and substitute the following:

"school, private school, or home school within nine (9) months of enrolling in the state-supported institution of higher education; or

(B) Established legal residency in Arkansas by:

(i) Meeting the requirements of rules promulgated by the Division of Higher Education; and

(ii) Being physically present in Arkansas for at least six (6) continuous months with the intent to remain in Arkansas."

AND

Page 83, line 5, delete "scholarship" and substitute "state-funded scholarship"

AND

Page 83, line 7, delete "scholarship" and substitute "state-funded scholarship"

AND

Page 83, line 11, delete "resident" and substitute "resident for state-funded scholarship purposes"

AND

Page 83, line 15, delete "tuition, fees,"

AND

Page 83, line 16, delete "and" and substitute "state-funded"

AND

Page 83, line 19, delete "classification" and substitute "classification for state-funded scholarship purposes"

AND

Page 83, line 21, delete "residency" and substitute "residency classification for state-funded scholarship purposes"

AND

Page 83, line 25, delete "tuition, fee, and" and substitute "state-funded"

AND

Page 87, delete lines 3 through 5, and substitute the following:
"Academic Challenge Scholarships under § 6-85-201 et seq., Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarships under § 6-85-301 et seq., and ~~Arkansas Concurrent Challenge Scholarships under § 6-85-401 et seq~~ ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarships under § 6-85-701 et seq."

AND

Page 87, line 32, delete "resident" and substitute "legal resident"

AND

Page 88, line 30, delete "resident" and substitute "legal resident"

AND

Page 95, line 26, delete "repealed." and substitute "amended to read as follows:"

AND

Page 95, delete lines 27 and 28, and substitute the following:
"(3) ~~Arkansas Concurrent Challenge Scholarship, § 6-85-401 et seq~~ ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship, § 6-85-701 et seq."

AND

Page 99, line 17, delete "an"

AND

Page 99, line 18, delete "subchapter" and substitute "subchapters"

AND

Page 102, line 16, delete "resident" and substitute "legal resident"

AND

Page 103, line 32, delete "an" and substitute "a legal"

AND

Page 107, delete line 32, and substitute the following:
"additional time once eligibility is reestablished.

Subchapter 26 — Governor's Higher Education Transition Scholarship Program

6-82-2601. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Governor's Higher Education Transition Scholarship Program".

6-82-2602. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(1) "Eligible student" means an Arkansas student with a disability admitted to a qualifying program at a state-supported institution of higher education;

(2) "Inclusive Higher Education Accreditation Council" means the independent, nonprofit accreditation agency for postsecondary programs for students with an intellectual disability; and

(3) "Qualifying program" means a postsecondary education program for a student with an intellectual disability that is accredited by the Inclusive Higher Education Accreditation Council.

6-82-2603. Creation — Eligibility.

(a) There is established the Governor's Higher Education Transition Scholarship Program within the Division of Higher Education.

(b) An eligible student who receives a Governor's Higher Education Transition Scholarship shall maintain eligibility for up to eight (8) continuous

semesters or until credentialing is obtained, whichever occurs first.

6-82-2604. Scholarship awards.

(a) Scholarship awards under this subchapter are contingent upon availability of funds.

(b)(1) Scholarship awards shall not exceed the institutional cost of attendance.

(2) The maximum award amount per qualifying semester that a student may receive is two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500).

(3) A scholarship award may be applied to tuition, mandatory fees, programmatic fees, room and board, supplies, and extended support services.

6-82-2605. Rules.

The Division of Higher Education may promulgate rules to govern administration of the Governor's Higher Education Transition Scholarship Program, including without limitation application forms and deadlines."

AND

Page 110, delete line 12, and substitute the following:
"number of credit hours in which the recipient is enrolled.

SECTION 82. Arkansas Code § 6-85-212(d)(1)(C), concerning the authorization for an applicant to elect for earned semester credit hours to be only those earned after graduating from high school or obtaining a high school equivalency diploma, is repealed.

~~(C)(i) An applicant may elect for the earned semester credit hours under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this section to be only those semester credit hours earned after graduating from high school or obtaining a high school equivalency diploma approved by the Adult Education Section.~~

~~(ii) If an applicant makes the election under subdivision (d)(1)(C)(i) of this section, any semester credit hours earned through concurrent credit or any other method before graduating high school or obtaining a high school equivalency diploma approved by the Adult Education Section shall not be counted as earned semester credit hours for the purposes of determining a recipient's scholarship award amount under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this section.~~

SECTION 83. Arkansas Code § 6-85-212(d)(3), concerning scholarship award amounts for certain institutions of higher education under the Arkansas Challenge Scholarship Program, is amended to read as follows:

(3) Subject to the availability of net revenue, the scholarship award for an academic year for a full-time student enrolled in one (1) of the following institutions of higher education is ~~one~~ two thousand dollars ~~($1,000)~~ ($2,000) for the first year and three thousand dollars ($3,000) for the second year:

(A) A two-year approved institution of higher education;

(B) A branch campus of a four-year approved institution of higher education; or

(C) An approved school of nursing."

AND

Page 110, delete lines 17 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(1) "Academic year" means a measure of the academic work to be accomplished by a student through the fall, spring, and summer semesters, or the equivalent of the fall, spring, and summer semesters, in that order;

(2) "Approved institution of higher education" means an institution of higher education approved by the Division of Higher Education to participate in the Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarship Program ~~and~~ that is:

(A) A state-supported two-year or four-year ~~college or university~~ institution of higher education; ~~or~~

(B) A private, nonprofit two-year or four-year college or university with its primary headquarters located in Arkansas that is eligible to receive Title IV federal student aid funds; or

(C) A public or private vocational-technical school that is:

(i) Included on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act eligible training provider list;

(ii) Qualified to receive approval for veterans' education benefits from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; or

(iii) Included on the State Board of Private Career Education list; and

~~(2)(A)~~(3)(A) "Certificate program" means a program that is offered or made available to a student by an approved institution of higher education that leads to the obtainment of a certification or license, including without limitation a program operated or sponsored by a third party.

(B) "Certificate program" is determined by the division and includes without limitation the following:

(i) Advanced manufacturing;

(ii) Health care;

(iii) Information technology;

(iv) Construction trades; or

(v) Logistics and distribution.

(C) The credit hours or contact hours awarded for a certificate program may include credit hours or contact hours that are not creditable toward an associate or a baccalaureate degree."

AND

Page 111, delete lines 1 through 10

AND

Page 111, line 20, delete "an" and substitute "~~an~~ a legal"

AND

Page 111, line 22, delete "an" and substitute "~~an~~ a legal"

AND

Page 112, delete lines 21 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) If funds are available, the Division of Higher Education shall distribute Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarships to all students who meet the requirements under § ~~6-85-304~~ 6-85-302(2).

(2) Up to five million dollars ($5,000,000) shall be allocated for students eligible under § 6-85-302(2)(C).

(b)(1) ~~The division shall distribute scholarships from the funds available in an equal amount to every student eligible to receive a scholarship under this subchapter.~~

~~(2) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the~~ The maximum scholarship award a student may receive in an academic year shall be the lesser of~~:~~ program costs or three thousand dollars ($3,000).

~~(A) Eight hundred dollars ($800); or~~

~~(B)(i) The cost of the certificate program or program of study.~~

~~(ii) The cost of a certificate program or program of study shall include:~~

~~(a) Tuition, fees, or other charges;~~

~~(b) Textbooks or other course materials; and~~

~~(c) Equipment needed for a course.~~

~~(3)~~(2) The scholarship awards may be used for expenses included in the cost of the certificate program or program of study.

~~(4)~~(3) A scholarship under this section shall be only for the academic year for which it is awarded.

(4)(A) The division shall collaborate with the Office of Skills Development to establish the criteria to be used to determine the eligibility of students under § 6-85-302(1)(C), which shall be included in rules promulgated by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

(B) The office shall:

(i) Use the criteria established under subdivision (b)(4)(A) of this section to determine the eligibility of students under § 6-85-302(1)(C); and

(ii) Provide the necessary information regarding eligible students to the division to enable the division to distribute scholarship awards on

behalf of an eligible student directly to the approved institution of higher education.

~~(c)(1) If the division has funds remaining after making the distributions under subsection (b) of this section, the division shall distribute scholarships to students for the summer term of the academic year.~~

~~(2) If funds are available under subdivision (c)(1) of this section, a student shall apply for a scholarship for a summer term by a date determined by the division preceding the summer term.~~

~~(3)(A) The division shall distribute scholarships for a summer term in the same manner as under subsection (b) of this section.~~

~~(B) Scholarships for a summer term may be used in the same manner as under subsection (b) of this section.~~

~~(4) A student who received a scholarship under subsection (b) of this section may also receive a scholarship for a summer term.~~

~~(d)~~(c) The division shall disburse all scholarship awards on behalf of an eligible student directly to the approved institution of higher education."

AND

Page 113, delete lines 1 through 29, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 84. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 85, Subchapter 3, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-85-308. Reporting requirements.

(a) An approved institution of higher education accepting funds under this subchapter shall submit an annual report to the Division of Higher Education that includes without limitation the following:

(1) Individual student program completer information as defined by the division; and

(2) Student information required to be provided to the division under § 6-85-216.

(b) An approved institution of higher education accepting funds under this subchapter shall submit an annual report to the Office of Skills Development that includes without limitation the following:

(1) Individual student program completer information as defined by the division; and

(2) Student information required to be provided to the division under § 6-85-216."

AND

Page 117, delete lines 26 through 31, and substitute the following:

"amended to read as follows:

(5) The amount of net proceeds that was necessary to fund scholarships under the ~~Arkansas Concurrent Challenge Scholarship Program, § 6-85-401~~ ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq., during each of

the last four (4) years immediately preceding the year in which the proposed bill is being considered, listed separately;"

AND

Page 117, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"Program, is amended to read as follows:

(C) The year with the highest amount of net proceeds necessary to fund scholarships under the ~~Arkansas Concurrent Challenge Scholarship Program, § 6-85-401~~ ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq., as determined under subdivision (b)(5) of this section; and"

AND

Page 118, delete lines 1 through 4, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 85. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 85, is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter — 7 ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program

6-85-701 Creation.

There is created the ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program.

6-85-702. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(1) "Approved institution of higher education" means an institution of higher education that:

(A) Is approved by the Division of Higher Education to participate in the ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program; and

(B) Is a:

(i) State-supported two-year or four-year institution of higher education; or

(ii) Private, nonprofit two-year or four-year institution of higher education that has its primary headquarters located in Arkansas and is eligible to receive Title IV federal student aid funds;

(2)(A) "Certificate program" means a program that is offered or made available to a student by an approved institution of higher education that leads to the obtainment of a certification or license.

(B) "Certificate program" does not include a program that is operated or sponsored by a third party;

(3)(A) "Concurrent credit course" means a course as defined in § 6-16-1202 that is offered in person on a public high school campus or an approved institution of higher education campus.

(B) "Concurrent credit course" does not include a program that is operated or sponsored by a third party or through virtual means; and

(4) "Eligible student" means a student enrolled in grade ten (10), grade eleven (11), or grade twelve (12) at a public high school in Arkansas.

6-85-703. Eligibility.

(a) A student is eligible to be awarded a scholarship under this subchapter for an academic semester or academic year during which the student is enrolled in a concurrent credit course if the student is eligible to enroll in the concurrent credit course under § 6-16-1204(a)(5).

(b) Scholarship funds shall not be used for courses at a vocational center that are reimbursable under § 6-51-305.

(c) A student is not eligible for a scholarship under this subchapter if the student is enrolled in a concurrent credit course that may be funded under § 6-18-2506.

6-85-704. Funding.

(a) For an academic year, the following shall be used to fund scholarships under this subchapter:

(1) Excess funding returned to the Office of the Arkansas Lottery under § 6-85-212(d)(2)(B)(i) from the previous academic year; and

(2) Net proceeds remaining from the previous academic year after the office transfers the funds requested by the Division of Higher Education under § 23-115-801(c)(2).

(b)(1) A scholarship under this subchapter shall not be awarded for an academic year if:

(A) Less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) is available under subsection (a) of this section; or

(B) The division received a loan from the Scholarship Shortfall Reserve Trust Account under § 23-115-802 for the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship Program, § 6-85-201 et seq., for the previous academic year.

(2) Any funds under subsection (a) of this section that are not disbursed for scholarships under this subchapter shall be carried over to the next academic year to be used for scholarships under this subchapter.

6-85-705. Distribution — Award Amounts.

(a) If funds are available, the Division of Higher Education shall award an ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship to all eligible students who meet the requirements under this subchapter.

(b)(1) The division shall distribute scholarships from the funds available in an equal amount to every approved institution of higher education that has enrolled a student eligible to receive a scholarship under this subchapter.

(2) A scholarship awarded to a student who is eligible under § 6-85-703 shall be awarded in the amount of sixty-five dollars ($65) per concurrent credit course hour in which the eligible student is enrolled, for a maximum of fifteen (15) concurrent credit course hours per semester.

(3) The maximum scholarship amount a student may be awarded in an academic year, including summer semesters, shall not exceed two thousand dollars ($2,000).

(c)(1) A state-supported two-year or four-year institution of higher education may offer a reduced tuition rate for concurrent credit courses offered by the state-supported institution of higher education to eligible students under this subchapter.

(2) The reduction in tuition under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall not be considered an institutional scholarship.

6-85-706. Rules.

The Division of Higher Education may promulgate rules to implement this subchapter."

AND

Page 119, line 19, delete "~~the~~" and substitute "the"

AND

Page 119, line 20, delete "~~et seq.,~~" and substitute "ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq.,"

AND

Page 119, line 30, delete "~~the~~" and substitute "the"

AND

Page 119, line 31, delete "~~et seq.,~~" and substitute "ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq.,"

AND

Page 120, line 3, delete "~~Scholarships;~~" and substitute "~~Scholarships~~ ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarships;"

AND

Page 120, line 4, delete "~~(d)~~" and substitute "(d)"

AND

Page 120, line 6, delete "~~(e)~~(d)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 120, line 13, delete "~~Scholarships ,~~" and substitute "ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarships,"

AND

Page 120, line 18, delete "repealed" and substitute "amended to read as follows:"

AND

Page 120, delete lines 19 and 20, and substitute the following:

"(C) The ~~Arkansas Concurrent Challenge Scholarship Program, § 6-85-401 et seq.;~~ ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq.; and"

AND

Page 120, line 29, delete "~~and the~~" and substitute "and the"

AND

Page 120, line 30, delete "~~et seq.,~~" and substitute "ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq.,"

AND

Page 121, line 5, delete "~~et seq.,~~" and substitute "ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq.,"

AND

Page 121, line 9, delete "or"

AND

Page 121, line 10, delete "~~or the~~" and substitute "or the"

AND

Page 121, line 11, delete "~~et seq.,~~" and substitute "ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq.,"

AND

Page 121, line 25, delete "or"

AND

Page 121, line 26, delete "~~or the~~" and substitute "or the"

AND

Page 121, line 27, delete "~~seq.,~~" and substitute "~~seq.,~~ ACCESS to Acceleration Scholarship Program, § 6-85-701 et seq.,"

AND

Page 122, delete lines 2 through 4

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 246 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1245

Amend House Bill No.1245 as engrossed S2/13/25:

Page 2, line 4, delete "five hundred dollars ($500)." and substitute "five hundred dollars ($500) and no more than five thousand dollars ($5,000)."

AND

Page 2, line 7, delete "license." and substitute "registration."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1245 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1465 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1465

Amend House Bill No.1465 as originally introduced:

Add Senator M. McKee as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT MCKEE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1465 was ordered engrossed.

Senator Hickey moved that the Arkansas Senate request that the PSC give an analysis and recommended language in regards to Senate Bill No. 307 by Monday, 9:00 a.m., March 10, 2025. These recommendations should include but are not limited to the following:

- how to best allow this CWIP which will allow adequate protection to rate payers while also providing the expediency to maintain and efficiently expand our energy generation.

- how to require definitions as to what should be considered as a strategic investment and allowed under this rider.

- any recommendations on how to quickly determine the feasibility of projects and whether they are providing a positive cost benefit to the State of Arkansas.

- any recommendations on how to structure any additional aspects of the bill which the PSC may deem problematic.

- request Chairman Webb to establish and provide an environment in preparing this document in a way which is free from outside influence from the legislative branch, the executive branch, any utilities, any industry or other party who may have a vested interest in this bill.

By voice vote, the motion carried.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 392 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 392 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 189

As Engrossed: S2/20/25 S2/24/25 S3/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, CALDWELL, CROWELL, FLIPPO, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE, *DEES*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, A. BROWN, HALL, LONG, WOMACK, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IVERMECTIN FOR HUMAN USE TO BE SOLD WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION OR CONSULTATION WITH A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 189 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd spoke for the bill.

Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.

Senator Clark closed for the bill.

A Pair was announced at the desk

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE March 6, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 189

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 189. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Murdock, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 219 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 219
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE SUNSET PROVISION OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA SPECIAL PRIVILEGE TAX ACT OF 2017; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 219 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 219. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 219, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 219 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 219 and the emergency clause passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 6, 2025.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 242 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 242
As Engrossed: S3/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LOANS INVOLVING THE STOCK OF A STATE BANK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 242 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 242. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.242 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 284 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 284
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO MODIFY THE EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED MEASURE 1948, NO. 4; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Payton requested that Senate Bill No. 284 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 293 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 293
As Engrossed: S3/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIRED POSTINGS AT A POLLING SITE; TO AMEND THE LIST CONCERNING REQUIRED POSTING OF NOTICES, INFORMATION, AND MATERIAL AT A POLLING SITE ON ELECTION DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 293 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 293. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Clark, Murdock.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.293 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Rice, Senate Bill No. 298 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 298
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR RICE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING THE SETTING ASIDE OF A DECREE TO QUIET TITLE TO LAND TO ALLOW FOR FINALITY IN QUIET TITLE ACTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 298 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 298.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.298 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 300 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 300
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 300 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 300. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.300 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 301 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 301

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THEFT OF PROPERTY; TO CREATE AN ENHANCED PENALTY FOR THEFT OF CARGO; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 301 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Gilmore closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Payton.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Leding.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 301, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Payton.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Leding.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 301 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 302 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 302

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF GIFT CARD FRAUD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Gilmore requested that Senate Bill No. 302 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 302 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 320 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 320
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DALBY, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 320 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 320.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.320 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 324 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 324
As Engrossed: S3/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF A COUNTY PLANNING BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

A Pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE March 6, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 324

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 324 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill , Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Petty, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Dismang, Hickey, King, Murdock.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Davis.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 324 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 219 passed and the emergency clause was adopted be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 219 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 219
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE SUNSET PROVISION OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA SPECIAL PRIVILEGE TAX ACT OF 2017; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 219 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 219.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 219, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers , Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 219 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 328 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 328
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPUTER CRIMES AGAINST MINORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 328 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.328. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.328 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1182 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1182

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPLACE THE DEFINED TERM "MEDICATION ASSISTIVE PERSON" WITH THE DEFINED TERM "CERTIFIED MEDICATION ASSISTANT" THROUGHOUT § 17-87-701 ET SEQ.; TO SET FORTH THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR A CERTIFIED MEDICATION ASSISTANT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1182 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1182. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1182 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1452 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1452

As Engrossed: H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CLARIFYING THE LAW ON THE USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN CERTAIN PLACES; TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF AN UNSEALED CONTAINER OF CERTAIN FORMS OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN A MOTOR VEHICLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1452 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1452. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dotson.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1452 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 303, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 313, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 317, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1465, BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES,
BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 401
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 401 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 402

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM REQUIRING OR TAKING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 402 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 403

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE 2030 ARKANSAS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE; TO PLAN AND CONDUCT STATEWIDE EDUCATIONAL AND OUTREACH INITIATIVES TO INCREASE COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION IN THE 2030 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 403 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 404
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOHN CARR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROBATE OF AN ESTATE IF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION HAS FILED A CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS AGAINST THE DECEDENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 404 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1068
As Engrossed: H3/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. MCELROY
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCLUDE EMPLOYEES OF A METROPOLITAN PORT AUTHORITY IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1068 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1298

As Engrossed: H2/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY PAYMENT OF BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS UNDER A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1298 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1385

As Engrossed: H2/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION; TO REQUIRE THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION TO NOTIFY MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCERNING CERTAIN PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1385 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1410

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNGER, LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES BY PUBLIC SERVANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1410 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1414

As Engrossed: H2/24/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES ANDREWS, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CLAIMS FOR FIRE SERVICES; TO UPDATE THE SCHEDULE OF EQUIPMENT RATES USED IN CLAIMS FOR FIRE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1414 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1503

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, *PAINTER, GONZALES,*

R. MCKENZIE, J. RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON THE REGULATION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1503 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1516

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXAMINATIONS AND FINDINGS RELATED TO THE CONTROL OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION OF FINES FOR ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO FOREST RESOURCES; TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND; TO AUTHORIZE THE AWARD OF A PISTOL UPON THE DEATH OR RETIREMENT OF A DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1516 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1524
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE BIDDING PROCEDURE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1524 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH UNIFORM PROCEDURES FOR FILLING A VACANCY IN A MUNICIPAL OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1555 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1575
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
As Engrossed: H2/27/25 H3/3/25 H3/5/25
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, *UNGER*
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PERSON THAT IS EMPLOYED OR HAS A DIRECT OR INDIRECT FINANCIAL INTEREST IN A FIRM, BUSINESS, OR ORGANIZATION THAT OWNS, OPERATES, REPRESENTS, OR APPLIES FOR A SOLID WASTE LICENSE OR PERMIT FROM SERVING AS A MEMBER ON CERTAIN COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1575 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1587
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO AMEND THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1587 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1589
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF A COUNTY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ANNUAL COUNTY FINANCIAL REPORT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1589 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1590
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO COMBINE THE OFFICES OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR IN WOODRUFF COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1590 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1591
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO COMBINE THE OFFICES OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR IN ARKANSAS COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1591 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1595
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENACT THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT'S GENERAL OMNIBUS AMENDMENT OF ARKANSAS INSURANCE CODE; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE PLAN; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECIPROCAL INSURERS; TO CLARIFY AN ATTORNEY'S BOND REQUIREMENT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXAMINATIONS OF HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SERVICE OF PROCESS IN SUITS INVOLVING INSURERS; TO REPEAL THE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE POOL ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1595 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1600

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HOLIDAY COMPENSATION, ANNUAL VACATION LEAVE, AND SICK LEAVE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1600 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1607

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1607 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1608
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC RECORDS AND ARCHIVES; TO REQUIRE APPROVAL OF THE ARKANSAS STATE ARCHIVES PRIOR TO THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1608 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1610
As Engrossed: H3/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, ET AL.
BY: SENATORS HICKEY, IRVIN, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HUMAN LIFE PROTECTION ACT AND THE ARKANSAS UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "MEDICAL EMERGENCY"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1610 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1614
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DESIGNATIONS RELATED TO CERTAIN CRIMINAL JUSTICE GRANT PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1614 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1620
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS; TO REGULATE PROCESSING AND PAYMENT OF PHARMACY CLAIMS; TO CREATE THE PHARMACY AND PHARMACIST TIMELY RECONCILIATION AND PAYMENT OF PHARMACIST SERVICES ACT; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY AUDIT BILL OF RIGHTS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1620 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1634
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HAWK, ET AL.
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, HESTER, J. BOYD, M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING RAFFLES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE CHARITABLE BINGO AND RAFFLES ENABLING ACT DOES NOT REGULATE CERTAIN RAFFLES CONDUCTED BY INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR AFFILIATED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS SPORTS RAFFLE ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO ADD THE ARKANSAS SPORTS RAFFLE ACT AS AN EXCEPTION TO VARIOUS PROHIBITED PRACTICES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1634 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 246, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 246 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 189
SENATE BILL NO. 242
SENATE BILL NO. 293
SENATE BILL NO. 298
SENATE BILL NO. 300
SENATE BILL NO. 320
SENATE BILL NO. 324
SENATE BILL NO. 328

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 219
SENATE BILL NO. 301

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1068
HOUSE BILL NO. 1298
HOUSE BILL NO. 1385
HOUSE BILL NO. 1410
HOUSE BILL NO. 1414
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1591
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1607
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1610
HOUSE BILL NO. 1614
HOUSE BILL NO. 1620

HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1634

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1182
HOUSE BILL NO. 1452

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., March 10, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 10, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Curt Howard.

The President led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 140 was withdrawn from the Committee on Insurance & Commerce, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 140

Amend Senate Bill No. 140 as engrossed S2/5/25:

Page 3, delete lines 26 and 27, and substitute the following:
"provider's licensed scope of practice;

(9) "Limited distribution drug" means a prescription medication that is restricted by a pharmaceutical manufacturer to a limited number of specialty pharmacies due to the prescription medication's:

(A) Complex use, including special handling, monitoring, or administration;

(B) High cost; or

(C) Safety concerns;

(10) "Reference listed drug" means the listed drug product"

AND

Page 3, line 32, delete "(10)" and substitute "(11)"

AND

Page 4, line 3, delete "(11)" and substitute "(12)"

AND

Page 5, line 1, delete "Immediately" and substitute "Within a reasonable amount of time"

AND

Page 5, line 7, delete "this section" and substitute "this section with the exception of limited distribution drugs"

AND

Page 5, line 23, delete "Immediately" and substitute "Within a reasonable amount of time"

AND

Page 5, line 29, delete "this section" and substitute "this section with the exception of limited distribution drugs"

AND

Page 5, line 30, delete "a pharmacy" and substitute "an accredited pharmacy"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 140 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 4.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 4 to SENATE BILL NO. 227

Amend Senate Bill No. 227 as engrossed S3/3/25:

Add Senator J. Petty as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, line 34, delete "together" and substitute "together, in a special or regular gathering,"

AND

Page 4, line 4, delete "hear" and substitute "hear all of"

AND

Page 8, line 22, delete "meeting" and substitute "meeting."

AND

Page 9, line 6, delete "(B)" and substitute "(B)(i)"

AND

Page 9, delete line 12, and substitute the following:

"(ii) It is a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this"

AND

Page 9, delete line 18, and substitute the following:

"would foreseeably be taken by the governing body.

(C)(i) It is not a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if an employee or an agent of a public entity communicates information that is background and non-decisional in nature to one (1) or more members of the governing body of the public entity.

(ii) Except as provided in subdivision (f)(1)(B)(i) of this section, it is a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if an employee or agent of a public entity communicates to a member of the governing body of the public entity:

(a) How another member of the governing body intends to vote; or

(b) Whether another member of the governing body supports or opposes a certain proposed action by the governing body; or"

AND

Page 9, line 23, delete "or employee or agent of a public"

AND

Page 9, delete line 24, and substitute the following:

"communicates information that is background and non-"

AND

Page 9, delete line 25, and substitute the following:
"decisional in nature to one (1) or more members of the same governing body.

(C) It is a violation of subdivision (f)(2)(A) of this section if a member of a governing body engages in any communication with one (1) or more members of the governing body that constitutes an exchange of information or opinion to seek or disclose a decision on or to solicit, disclose, or inquire about a member's support or opposition concerning any matter on which official action will foreseeably be taken by the governing body."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 261 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 261

Amend Senate Bill No. 261 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Womack as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, line 28, delete "asphalt," and substitute "asphalt, chip-seal,"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 31 through 33, and substitute the following:

"(i) Dirt; or
(ii) Gravel."

AND

Page 2, line 9, delete "On" and substitute "Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, on"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 12 through 18, and substitute the following:

"(a) Is a:

(1) Resident of this state who has a valid commercial driver license or noncommercial driver's license issued by this state in his or her immediate possession as required under § 27-16-601; or

(2) Nonresident who is subject to the exemption from the licensing requirements of this state under § 27-16-603(3) or (4); and

(b) Maintains liability insurance on the all-terrain vehicle that provides at a minimum the following coverage:

(i) Not less than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) for bodily injury or death of one (1) person in any one (1) accident; and

(ii) If the accident results in damage to or destruction of property, not less than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) for the damage to or destruction of property of others in any one (1) accident."

AND

Page 2, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"private property to an off-road trail.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 27-21-106, concerning the operation of an all-terrain vehicle on public streets and highways, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(c) The quorum court of a county may adopt an ordinance to prohibit the operation of an all-terrain vehicle under subdivision (a)(1)(B) of this section on unpaved roads located in the county by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the total membership of the quorum court."

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 261 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Amend Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 as engrossed S2/20/25:

Add Senators J. Boyd, Caldwell, J. Dotson, Hester, B. Johnson, C. Penzo, G. Stubblefield, D. Wallace as cosponsors of the joint resolution

AND

Add Representatives Achor, Beaty Jr., Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, A. Brown, K. Brown, M. Brown, N. Burkes, R. Burkes, Joey Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Eaton, Gramlich, Hall, Hawk, Holcomb, Long, Lundstrum, J. Mayberry, McClure, McGrew, B. McKenzie, McNair, Milligan, Nazarenko, Painter, Pearce, Puryear, Ray, R. Scott Richardson, Richmond, Rose, Rye, Schulz, Steimel, Torres, Underwood, Unger, Vaught, Wooten as cosponsors of the joint resolution

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1609 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1609

Amend House Bill No. 1609 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 30 through 36, and substitute the following:
"(5) years if the person recruited, enticed, or obtained a trafficked person from:

(1) A shelter or facility operating as a residential treatment center that serves runaway youth, foster children, the homeless, or other persons at risk of being subjected to human trafficking, domestic violence, or sexual assault;

(2) A correctional facility while the trafficked person was confined in the correctional facility;

(3) An adoptive, foster, or provisional foster home as defined by § 9-28-402;

(4) A childcare institution as defined by § 9-28-402; or

(5) A detention facility, forestry camp, training school, or other facility operating primarily for the detention of children who are determined by a court to be delinquent."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 and 2

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1609 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 140, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 227, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 261, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 140 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 261 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, ET AL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1609, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1609 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 39
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, B. DAVIS

SENATE RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH DURING MARCH 2025, CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY ON MARCH 8, 2025, AND RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS OF THE WOMEN'S FOUNDATION OF ARKANSAS TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC MOBILITY OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 39 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 40
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE, SUPPORT, AND ENCOURAGE THE ARKANSAS 250 COMMISSION AS IT BEGINS ITS WORK TO CELEBRATE ARKANSAS'S RICH TWO-HUNDRED-FIFTY-YEAR HISTORY FROM THE SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE ON JULY 4, 1776, THROUGH JULY 4, 2026.

Senate Resolution No. 40 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 41
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BOYD

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025, AS SCOUTING DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 41 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 405
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ONLINE MARKETPLACE CONSUMER INFORM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 405 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 406
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING INSTRUMENTS AFFECTING TITLE TO PROPERTY; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY RECORDER TO VERIFY CERTAIN INFORMATION BEFORE RECORDING A DEED TO REAL ESTATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 406 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 407
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS CATFISH PROCESSOR FAIR PRACTICES ACT OF 1987; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 407 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 408

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN INCOME TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN PAYMENTS BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 408 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 409

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON, HILL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES, ET AL.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS BY FINANCIAL SERVICES PROVIDERS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL JUSTICE, OR GOVERNANCE SCORES OR METRICS; TO ESTABLISH THE FARMER PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 409 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 410
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF EMPLOYMENT FOR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES AND FORMER ELECTED OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 410 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 411
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE HEIGHT OF VEHICLES; TO CREATE AN OFFENSE FOR THE OPERATION OF A VEHICLE WITH A MODIFIED BUMPER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 411 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 412
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCLURE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR MOVING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES; TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SET THE PER-MILE AMOUNT FOR THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES BY PROCLAMATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 412 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 413
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CERTIFICATION OF AN OATH FOR A SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 413 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 414
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTION LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING NOTICES RELATED TO THE ELECTION PROCESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 414 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS..

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Resolution No. 32 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 32
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY, INC., FOR ITS POSITIVE IMPACT UPON ITS COMMUNITIES, THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE NATION, AND THE WORLD.

Senate Resolution No. 32 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1007 was called up for third reading.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1007
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER, VAUGHT, MCALINDON, ACHOR, C. COOPER, LUNDSTRUM, K. MOORE
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO REEVALUATE THE MEDICARE PHYSICIAN FEE SCHEDULE LOCALITY STRUCTURE AND ENSURE ACCURATE GEOGRAPHIC PRACTICE COST INDICES FOR THE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS OF THIS STATE.

House Concurrent Resolution No.1007 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1007 was returned to the House as concurred in.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 299 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 299

Amend Senate Bill No. 299 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 11, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO REQUIRE A"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO REQUIRE A STAFF MEMBER TO WITNESS AN ADMINISTRATOR ASSISTING A RESIDENT OF A LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY WITH ABSENTEE VOTING."

AND

Delete SECTION 1 in its entirety

AND

Delete SECTION 2 in its entirety

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "or delivering"

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "or ~~casting~~ delivering" and substitute "~~or casting~~"

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 299 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 329 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 329

Amend Senate Bill No. 329 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 11, delete "state; and" and substitute "state;"

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "any of the following"

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "users;" and substitute "users; or"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 19 through 22, and substitute the following:

"(C) If engaged in the sale or offering of online marketplace guarantees, engages only in a manner that is ancillary to the conduct of its primary legitimate business or activity; and

(D) Provides services not provided as a state or local"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 329 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 343 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 343

Amend Senate Bill No. 343 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Clowney as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"(144) Department of Shared Administrative Services 100"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 34 and 35, and substitute the following:
"The ~~Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may~~ Secretary of the Department of Shared Administrative Services shall direct all state agencies to"

AND

Page 2, delete line 20, and substitute the following:
"Secretary of the Department of Shared Administrative Services as"

AND

Page 2, delete line 26, and substitute the following:
"of the Department of Shared Administrative Services within ten (10) days"

AND

Page 2, delete line 29, and substitute the following:
"Shared Administrative Services shall keep the inventory of motor vehicles"

AND

Page 2, delete line 34, and substitute the following:
"Shared Administrative Services shall make an annual report to the"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 12 and 13, and substitute the following:

"(2)(A) "State-owned vehicles" means vehicles owned by cabinet-level departments of the executive branch of state government.

(B) "State-owned vehicles" does not include:

(i) Vehicles used for the purpose of law enforcement that are owned by the Department of Public Safety or the Department of Corrections;

(ii) Vehicles used for the purpose of emergency response that are owned by the Department of Public Safety or the Department of Corrections; and

(iii) Vehicles used to transport an inmate or offender that are owned by the Department of Corrections."

AND

Page 3, delete line 16, and substitute the following:

"the Department of Shared Administrative Services."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 28 through 31, and substitute the following:

"(d) The records kept by a state agency, board, or commission under this section are subject to audit by Arkansas Legislative Audit and shall be kept for at least five (5) years.

(e) ~~Each state agency, board, or commission that uses global~~"

AND

Page 4, delete line 4, and substitute the following:

"~~Administration~~ Department of Shared Administrative Services ~~of~~"

AND

Page 4, delete line 14, and substitute the following:

"Department of Shared Administrative Services to record and control the"

AND

Page 4, delete line 22, and substitute the following:

"~~Administration~~ Department of Shared Administrative Services shall prepare"

AND

Page 4, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"Department of Shared Administrative Services, through the Marketing and"

AND

Page 5, delete line 10, and substitute the following:
"Department of Shared Administrative Services~~, through his or her~~"

AND

Page 5, delete line 17, and substitute the following:
"Sections 2 through 8 of this act are effective on and after January 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 343 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 353 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 353

Amend Senate Bill No. 353 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 11, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DATES FOR ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE DATES OF PRIMARY ELECTIONS, SCHOOL ELECTIONS, AND CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS; TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE FISCAL"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DATES FOR ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE DATES OF PRIMARY ELECTIONS, SCHOOL ELECTIONS, AND CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS; AND TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY."

AND

Immediately following the enacting clause, add additional sections to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-14-102(a)(1)(A), concerning the date of the annual school election, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1)(A) The annual school election shall be held in each school district of the state:

(i) In even-numbered years, on the date of the:

(a) Preferential primary election; or

(b) General election; and

(ii) In odd-numbered years, on the~~:~~

~~(a) Second Tuesday in November; or~~

~~(b) Second Tuesday in May~~ on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-14-111(k), concerning candidate filing procedures for school elections, is amended to read as follows:

(k) The order in which the names of the respective candidates are to appear on the ballot shall be determined by lot at the public meeting of the county board of election commissioners held not later than:

(1) The deadline to conduct the ballot draw for the preferential primary or general election for an annual school election held in even-numbered years; and

(2) ~~The seventh day of March for an annual school election held on the second Tuesday in May of an odd-numbered year; and~~

~~(3) Seventy-two (72) days before an annual school election held on the second Tuesday of November of an odd-numbered year~~ Eighty-nine (89) days before an annual school election in odd-numbered years."

AND

Immediately following SECTION 5 of the bill, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 7-11-205(a)(1), concerning dates of special elections on measures and questions, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(2) of this section, all special elections on measures or questions referred to the voters by governmental entities as authorized by law shall be held on the second Tuesday of~~:~~

~~(A)~~ March ~~or November in a year when a presidential election is held; and~~

~~(B) May or November of all other years~~."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 353 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1193 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1193

Amend House Bill No. 1193 as engrossed H1/30/25:

Page 1, delete lines 29 and 30, and substitute the following:

"(b) This section does not apply to a lienholder that:

(1) Does not have a physical location in the state; or

(2) Has a physical location in the state, but:

(A) The claim for damages to a motor vehicle is less than two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500); or

(B) The payment is made directly to a repair facility for the amount of the repairs."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1193 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1405 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1405

Amend House Bill No. 1405 as engrossed H2/20/25:

Add Senator J. Boyd

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Amend House Bill No. 1405 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 183 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 183

As Engrossed: S2/4/25 S2/25/25 S2/25/25 S3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDIZED ASSESSMENTS; TO AMEND THE UNIVERSAL ACT ASSESSMENT PROGRAM ACT; TO AMEND THE TYPES OF ASSESSMENTS PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAY PROVIDE TO STUDENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 183 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 183. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Tucker.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.183 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 276 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 276
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE; TO CLARIFY THAT SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE IS ACCEPTABLE COVERAGE FOR FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE COVERAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 276 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 276. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 276 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 303 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 303

As Engrossed: S3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR DEES

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A RESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PERMIT A PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENT TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY AT THE RESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 303 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 303. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Davis, Hickey, Scott.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Rice.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Irvin.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.303 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 313 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 313
As Engrossed: S3/6/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, ET AL.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING FORENSIC MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS AND TREATMENT; TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCIES AND QUALITY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 313 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 313.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 313 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 317 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 317

As Engrossed: S3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON BY:

REPRESENTATIVES PURYEAR, *ACHOR, ET AL.*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO PROHIBIT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM PARTICIPATING IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES WITH A PROHIBITED FOREIGN PARTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 317 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 317. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Murdock.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.317 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 344 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 344
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE HEALTHY EMPLOYEE LIFESTYLE PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE HEALTHY LIFESTYLE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 344 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 344. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 344 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 345 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 345
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROMOTE TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BY IMPROVING EFFICIENCY OF THE PRIVATE CLUB PERMITTING PROCESS OF HOTELS, RESTAURANTS, AND LARGE-EVENT FACILITIES; TO REMOVE AN OVERLY BURDENSOME TAX REQUIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 345 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 345.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Love.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.345 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 351 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 351

As Engrossed: S3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 351 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 351. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.351 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 365 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 365
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SMALL BREWERY ACT; TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF THREE SMALL BREWERY TAPROOMS BY A HOLDER OF A SMALL BREWERY LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 365 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 365. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Dees, Love, Stubblefield.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Dotson, Flowers, Hammer, Rice.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 365 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 370 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 370

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS WINE PRODUCERS COUNCIL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 370 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 370. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dees.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 370, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dees.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 370 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 374 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 374
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 374 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 374. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Tucker.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.374 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1184 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1184

As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE FAIR MORTGAGE LENDING ACT; TO PROTECT A CONSUMER'S PRIVACY IN CERTAIN MORTGAGE APPLICATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1184 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1184. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1184 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1307 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1307

As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H2/17/25 S2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON, *R. BURKES*

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE RESPONSIBLE FUND MANAGEMENT; TO AMEND THE UNIFORM PRUDENT MANAGEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS ACT (2006); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1307 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1307. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore , Hammer , Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1307 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1309 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1309
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COVERAGE OF EXAMINATIONS FOR BREAST CANCER; TO CLARIFY THE COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS FOR EXAMINATIONS FOR BREAST CANCER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1309 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1309. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1309 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1325 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1325
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS REGARDING CREDITED SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO ALLOW A MEMBER OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO RECEIVE SERVICE CREDIT FROM SERVICE UNDER AN ALTERNATE RETIREMENT PLAN TO MEET ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR A RETIREMENT BENEFIT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1325 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1325. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1325 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1400 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1400
As Engrossed: H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REDEMPTION OF A TAX-DELINQUENT PARCEL; TO EXEMPT DISABLED VETERANS FROM CERTAIN PENALTIES WHEN REDEEMING A TAX-DELINQUENT PARCEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1400 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stubblefield moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1400. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1400 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1465 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1465

As Engrossed: S3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING DIRTBIKE USE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY; TO ESTABLISH THE LIABILITY OF AN OWNER OF PRIVATE PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1465 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1465. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer , Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1465 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1466 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1466
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FAIR MORTGAGE LENDING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1466 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1466. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1466 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1568 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1568

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXAMINATIONS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION; TO AMEND THE LAW REQUIRING A POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION WHEN A DEATH IS BY APPARENT DRUG, ALCOHOL, OR POISON TOXICITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1568 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1568. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1568 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, House Bill No. 1238 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1238

As Engrossed: S3/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATUTORY FORECLOSURES; TO AUTHORIZE A MORTGAGOR TO RECOVER FEES IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1238 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1238. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1238 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 22 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 22

JBC 3/06/25 (2.f.)

Amend Senate Bill No. 22 as originally introduced:

On page 8, immediately following line 3, insert the following item:
"(1.1) A024N OAL INTERNAL AUDITOR 1 GRADE SE01"

AND

On page 8, immediately following line 5, insert the following:
"(3.1) N128N DHS ASST DIR QUALITY ASSURANCE 1 GRADE GS13"

AND

On page 8, immediately following line 6, insert the following:
"(4.1) A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER 1 GRADE GS12
(4.2) A031C ASSISTANT CONTROLLER 1 GRADE GS11"

AND

On page 8, line 7, delete "_5" and insert "6"

AND

On page 8, immediately following line 7, insert the following:

"(6)	A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR	5	GRADE GS08
(7)	A060C SENIOR AUDITOR	5	GRADE GS08
(8)	A081C AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS07"

AND

On page 8, line 8, delete "9" and substitute "25"

AND

On page 8, line 19, delete "$772,222" and substitute "$1,926,800"

AND

On page 8, line 20, delete "248,659" and substitute "636,180"

AND

On page 8, line 22, delete "318,159" and substitute "702,719"

AND

On page 8, line 23, delete "11,000" and substitute "44,600"

AND

On page 8, line 24, delete "20,000" and substitute "51,500"

AND

On page 8, line 27, delete "$1,370,040" and substitute "$3,361,799".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 22 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 38 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 38

JBC 03/06/25 (1)(a)

Amend Senate Bill No. 38 as originally introduced:

Page 25, immediately following SECTION 55, insert the following:

" SECTION 56. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF FUNDS. Immediately upon the effective date of this act, the Arkansas State Medical Board shall transfer annually the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000), or so much as is available, from the unobligated and unallocated monies remaining in the Arkansas State Medical Board's cash funds, to the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education's Graduate Medical Education Fund to be used exclusively for the Graduate Medical Education Residency Expansion Board appropriation."

and

Appropriately renumber the subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 38 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 39 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 39

JBC 03/06/25 (2)(c)

Amend Senate Bill No. 39 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 32 in its entirety and substitute
"~~(37) A044C AUDIT COORDINATOR 1 GRADE GS10~~"

and

Page 3, delete line 10 in its entirety and substitute
"~~(51) A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR 4 GRADE GS08~~"

and

Page 3, line 14, delete "5" and substitute "2"

and

Page 4, line 22, delete "627" and substitute "619".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 39 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 92 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 92

JBC 03/06/1(b)

Amend Senate Bill No. 92 as originally introduced:

Page 24, delete SECTION 39 in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber all subsequent Sections of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 92 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 93 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 93

JBC 3/6/25 2e

Amend Senate Bill No. 93 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 19 in its entirety and substitute the following:
"~~(25) A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER 1 GRADE GS12~~"

AND

Page 3, line 22, delete "89" and substitute "88".

(SIGNED) SENATAOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 93 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 124 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 124

JBC 3/6/25 (5)

Amend Senate Bill No. 124 as originally introduced:

Page 6, line 35, delete "$47,795,000" and substitute "$51,095,780"

AND

Page 7, line 2, delete "13,544,773" and substitute "14,468,993"

AND

Page 7, line 4, delete "16,929,000" and substitute "19,204,000"

AND

Page 7, line 9, delete " $78,873,773" and substitute " $85,373,773".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 124 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 64 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 64
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 64 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan spoke for the bill.

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 64. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 64, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 64 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

SENATE BILL NO. 334
SENATE BILL NO. 335
SENATE BILL NO. 336
SENATE BILL NO. 337
SENATE BILL NO. 333

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on the Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 334 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 334
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 334 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 334, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 334 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 335 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 335
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 335 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 335, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 335 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 336 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 336
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 336 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 336, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 336 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 337 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 337
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES - BUILDING AUTHORITY DIVISION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 337 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 337, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 337 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 333 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 333
As Engrossed: S3/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES OF A POLICE STATION FACILITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT PINE BLUFF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 333 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 333, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 333 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 299, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 329, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 343, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 353, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1405, BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHARDSON,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 415
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BUSINESS PRACTICES; TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO MAINTAIN A DELINQUENT LIST OF BUSINESSES FAILING TO PAY A WHOLESALER OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FOR THE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 415 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 416
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM; TO REPEAL THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 416 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 265 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 308 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 119 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 188 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 224 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 236 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 244 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 249 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 250 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 251 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 259 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 267 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 272 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 291 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 292 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 294 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 295 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 296 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 297 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 22, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 38, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 39, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 92, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 38 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 39 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 92 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 93, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 124, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 93 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 124 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 261, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 372, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1502, BY REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1596, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1605, BY REPRESENTATIVE WING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 417
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND CERTAIN LAWS RELATED TO REPORTING AND SERVICES BY INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND LAWS RELATED TO CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, PERSONNEL, LAND, AND SERVICES OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 417 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 418
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; TO ESTABLISH A REQUIREMENT FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION CARRIERS TO SPEND AT LEAST EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF PREMIUMS ON HEALTHCARE CLAIMS AND WAGE CLAIMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 418 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 419
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN SALES TO A CULTIVATION FACILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 419 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1129

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, PURYEAR

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "HOMESTEAD" FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1129 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1367

As Engrossed: H2/25/25 H3/4/25 H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TITLE INSURANCE ACT; TO REGULATE ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS BY A TITLE AGENT AND A TITLE COMPANY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1367 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1386

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO REAL PROPERTY; TO AMEND THE METHOD OF VALUATION FOR REAL PROPERTY UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1386 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1429

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, *L. JOHNSON*

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCREASE ACCESSIBILITY WHILE ENSURING QUALITY FOR CERTAIN FACILITIES PERFORMING MAMMOGRAPHY SERVICES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE QUALITY STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION OF FACILITIES FOR MAMMOGRAPHY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1429 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1444

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR DATA CENTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1444 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1488

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STANDARD NONFORFEITURE LAW FOR LIFE INSURANCE; TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO PAY INTEREST ON DEFERRED PAYMENT OF ANY CASH SURRENDER VALUE UNDER CERTAIN POLICIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1488 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1517

As Engrossed: H3/4/25 H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE EARNED WAGE ACCESS SERVICES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1517 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1548

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; TO ABOLISH THE DATA AND TRANSPARENCY PANEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1548 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1563
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD A FELONY OFFENSE THAT FALLS UNDER THE DEFINITION OF RESTRICTED RELEASE FELONY WITH RESPECT TO RELEASE ELIGIBILITY AND PROCEDURES FOR OFFENSES COMMITTED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1563 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1579
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SEX OFFENDER REASSESSMENT; TO PROHIBIT AN INCARCERATED PERSON FROM BEING ELIGIBLE FOR RISK LEVEL REASSESSMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1579 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1583
As Engrossed: H3/6/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1583 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1603
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS BY A CRIMINAL DEFENDANT IN CIRCUIT COURT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1603 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1624
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY LAW LIBRARY BOARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1624 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1628
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AN EXTENDED POST-CONVICTION NO CONTACT ORDER; TO ADD SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE TO THE OFFENSES FOR WHICH A COURT MAY ISSUE AN EXTENDED POST-CONVICTION NO CONTACT ORDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1628 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1641
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HARASSMENT; TO INCLUDE THE USE OF A TRACKING DEVICE IN THE OFFENSE OF HARASSMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1641 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1643
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIRING PRACTICES; TO ALLOW A CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYER TO DISCLOSE SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OR HARASSMENT BY THE CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYEE TO A PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER UPON WRITTEN CONSENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1643 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1644
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF A RETIRED JUDGE APPOINTED AS A SPECIAL JUDGE; TO CLARIFY THAT A RETIRED JUDGE MAY SERVE AS A SPECIAL JUDGE IMMEDIATELY UPON RETIREMENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1644 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1647
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1647 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1661
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING STATE DISTRICT COURTS; TO ELIMINATE THE OBLIGATION OF CITIES AND COUNTIES TO PAY THE SALARIES OF STATE DISTRICT COURT JUDGES; TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING DISTRICT COURT CLERKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1661 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1666
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS SELF-FUNDED CYBER RESPONSE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1666 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1673
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BARBERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1673 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 246, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 314, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 340, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 375, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 393, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 302, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 325, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 326, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1489, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1527, BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1581, BY REPRESENTATIVE HENLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1609, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1474, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1479, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1 and No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 292

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 265 AN AMENDED NO. 1
SENATE BILL NO. 308 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1129
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1386
HOUSE BILL NO. 1429
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1624
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1643
HOUSE BILL NO. 1661
HOUSE BILL NO.1666
HOUSE BILL NO. 1673

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1644
HOUSE BILL NO. 1647

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1184
HOUSE BILL NO. 1309
HOUSE BILL NO. 1325
HOUSE BILL NO. 1400
HOUSE BILL NO. 1466
HOUSE BILL NO. 1568

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1238 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1307 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1465 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED
TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1007

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 11, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 11, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Terry Bostick.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 144 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 144

Amend Senate Bill No. 144 as engrossed S2/18/25:

Page 1, delete lines 10 through 14, and substitute the following:
"TRANSFER TO THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION; TO PROVIDE FOR A DESIGNATED DIAGNOSTIC INTAKE FACILITY; TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS TO ENTER INTO COUNTY JAIL-STATE INMATE CLOSE-TO-HOME PARTNERSHIPS WITH CERTAIN COUNTIES TO CONSTRUCT, EXPAND, OR IMPROVE A FACILITY TO HOUSE INMATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"CONCERNING THE BACKLOG OF INMATES AWAITING TRANSFER TO THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION; TO PROVIDE FOR A DESIGNATED DIAGNOSTIC INTAKE FACILITY; AND TO CREATE COUNTY JAIL-STATE INMATE CLOSE-TO-HOME PARTNERSHIPS."

AND

Delete SECTION 1 in its entirety, and substitute the following:
"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 28, Subchapter 1 is amended to add additional sections to read as follows:

12-28-110. Facility to house county jail backlog.

(a) The Board of Corrections may purchase, fund, construct, expand, or improve a facility to house inmates sentenced to the Division of Correction who are awaiting transfer to a prison:

(1) In a county that is one (1) of the eight (8) counties that contribute the most inmates to the total inmate population in the custody of the division; or

(2) Upon the approval of the quorum court of the county, in a county that adjoins one (1) of the eight (8) counties that contribute the most inmates to the total inmate population in the custody of the division.

(b) The division shall determine the eight (8) eligible counties under subsection (a) of this section based upon the total inmate population that existed as of January 1, 2025.

12-28-111. Diagnostic intake facility.

(a) The Division of Correction, with the approval of the Board of Corrections, shall provide a correctional facility in Washington County, Benton County, Crawford County, or Sebastian County to carry out the diagnostic intake process for new adult inmates.

(b) Subsection (a) of this section does not prohibit the use of another correctional facility to carry out the diagnostic intake process for new adult inmates."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 144 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 232 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 232

Amend Senate Bill No. 232 as engrossed S2/25/25:

Page 3, delete line 16, and substitute the following:

"exceeds a fidelity fund balance of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000).

(C) "Net proceeds" shall be based on generally accepted accounting principles in accordance with § 23-115-206(a)(6);"

AND

Page 5, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"scholarships funded with net proceeds from the lottery.

SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 23-115-801(d)(3)(C), concerning reimbursement to the Division of Higher Education by the Office of the Arkansas Lottery, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(iii) Reimbursement under this subdivision (d)(3)(C) shall be made from the Lottery Scholarship Trust Account."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 232 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 271 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 271

Amend Senate Bill No. 271 as engrossed S3/3/25:

Page 1, delete lines 33 through 36, and substitute the following:
"304(b) in even-numbered years for school elections held concurrently with a preferential primary election; or"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 and 2

AND

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 9 and substitute the following:
"in even-numbered years for school elections held concurrently with a general election."

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 271 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 352 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 352

Amend Senate Bill No. 352 as originally introduced:

Add Senators Hester, B. Johnson, B. Davis, M. McKee, J. Dotson, J. Boyd

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "antisemitic" and substitute "antisemitism"

AND

Page 2, line 4, delete "antisemitic" and substitute "antisemitism"

AND

Page 2, delete line 12, and substitute the following:
"schools in the same manner kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) schools would address and prohibit any other form of discrimination prohibited by law, including without limitation discrimination on the basis of race."

AND

Page 2, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"same manner as any other form of discrimination prohibited by state or federal law."

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "2025; and" and substitute "2025;"

AND

Page 3, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"States Department of Education and the United States Department of Justice; and

(C) Relevant state-level antidiscrimination laws."

AND

Page 3, line 6, delete "training" and substitute "training into any required anti-bias training"

AND

Page 3, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"Coordinator who shall monitor all complaints of discrimination and harassment, including without limitation antisemitic discrimination and harassment, at"

AND

Page 3, line 25, delete "antisemitic discrimination" and substitute "discrimination"

AND

Page 3, line 30, delete "antisemitic discrimination" and substitute "discrimination"

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "antisemitic discrimination" and substitute "discrimination"

AND

Page 4, line 7, delete "subchapter" and substitute "antisemitic discrimination prohibited under this subchapter or any other form of prohibited discrimination"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 15 through 20, and substitute the following:
"report its finding to the:

(a) Attorney General's office for action; and

(b) United States Department of Education and United States Department of Justice by making a complaint under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. No. 88-352; and

(3) By June 30 of each year issue an annual report on discrimination in schools and institutions of higher education to the General Assembly, which shall include without limitation the following:

(A) The number and type of discrimination-related incidents;

(B) The category of bias-motivation, including antisemitism; and

(C) How reports of discrimination were resolved or if the reports

of discrimination are pending resolution."

AND

Page 4, line 24, delete "antisemitic"

AND

Page 4, line 27, delete "antisemitic"

AND

Page 4, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"(c) Criticism of Israel similar to the criticism leveled against any other country shall not be regarded as antisemitic."

AND

Page 5, delete line 1

AND

Page 5, line 27, delete "campuses" and substitute "campuses in the same manner as institutions of higher education would address and prohibit any other form of discrimination prohibited by law, including without limitation discrimination on the basis of race"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 8 and 9, and substitute the following:
"higher education campus in the same manner as any other form of discrimination prohibited by state or federal law."

AND

Page 6, line 17, delete "2025; and" and substitute "2025;"

AND

Page 6, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"States Department of Education and the United States Department of Justice; and
(C) Relevant state-level antidiscrimination laws."

AND

Page 6, line 21, delete "training" and substitute "training into any required anti-bias training"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 6 and 7, and substitute the following:

"(c) Criticism of Israel similar to the criticism leveled against any other country shall not be regarded as antisemitic."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT STONE

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 352 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 390 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 390

Amend Senate Bill No. 390 as originally introduced:

Page 11, delete lines 9 through 12, and substitute the following:

"(e) A majority of the members of the council shall represent the construction industry."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 390 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 119, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 188, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 224, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 236, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 244, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 249, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 250, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 251, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 259, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 267, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 272, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 291, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 292, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 294, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 295, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 296, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 297, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 8:11 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED)SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 119
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SENATE BILL NO. 297

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this eleventh day of March, 2025 at 8:28 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 144, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 232, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,
SENATE BILL NO. 271, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 352, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 390, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 144 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 232 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 271 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 352 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 390 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 361, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 388, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 305, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1516, BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 401, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1503, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1510, BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1600, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 323, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 366, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 319, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS, MEMBER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1298, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1558, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1587, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1634, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 282, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 227, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.as amended No. 5.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1460, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1607, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1614, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 42
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE CITY OF CABOT AS RECIPIENT IN 2024 OF A TRENDSETTER CITY AWARD FROM ARKANSAS BUSINESS AND AN HONORABLE MENTION IN THE ARKANSAS BUSINESS TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AND CREATIVE CULTURE CATEGORY.

Senate Resolution No. 42 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 420
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY :REPRESENTATIVES BEATY, JR., L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR WATER DEVELOPMENT STATE PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE WATER AUTHORITY ACT; TO AMEND THE USES OF THE CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE REVOLVING LOAN FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 420 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 421

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF WATER, WASTE DISPOSAL, POLLUTION CONTROL, ABATEMENT AND PREVENTION, DRAINAGE, IRRIGATION, FLOOD CONTROL, AND WETLANDS AND AQUATIC RESOURCES PROJECTS TO SERVE THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, IN TOTAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS ($500,000,000) WITH NO MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS ($165,000,000) IN TOTAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF IRRIGATION FACILITIES, IN SERIES FROM TIME TO TIME IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS NOT TO EXCEED, WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SIXTY MILLION DOLLARS ($60,000,000) IN ANY TWO-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1 OF EACH ODD-NUMBERED YEAR; SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AT THE 2026 GENERAL ELECTION OR A SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED FOR THAT PURPOSE; PRESCRIBING OTHER RELATED MATTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 421 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 422
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN ACT; TO ALLOW NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO CONTRIBUTE TO A NEW OR EXISTING ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN ACCOUNT; TO REQUIRE THE TREASURER OF STATE TO FACILITATE CONTRIBUTIONS BY A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 422 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 423
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS FROM NONPROFIT VOLUNTEER SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 423 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 424
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. STUBBLEFIELD, J. ENGLISH, K. HAMMER,
G. LEDING, C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY OF A MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 424 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Resolution No. 25 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE NUCOR DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL ON FEBRUARY 19, 2025

Senate Resolution No. 25 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Resolution No. 36 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 36
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, A. CLARK

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE HOT SPRINGS WORLD CLASS HIGH SCHOOL PREVENTION STAFF AND STUDENT CLUB MEMBERS AND THE HOT SPRINGS JUNIOR ACADEMY EAST TEACHERS AND STUDENTS IN HONOR OF PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH.

Senate Resolution No. 36 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Resolution No. 37 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 37
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 2025 AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH AND SUPPORT THE HUMANITARIAN MISSION OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Senate Resolution No. 37 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Resolution No. 39 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 39
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, B. DAVIS

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH DURING MARCH 2025, CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY ON MARCH 8, 2025, AND RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS OF THE WOMEN'S FOUNDATION OF ARKANSAS TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC MOBILITY OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 39 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 265 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 265

Amend Senate Bill No. 265 as engrossed S2/25/25:

Add Representative Gramlich

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 265, adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second, and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 265 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 265

As Engrossed: S2/25/25 H3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REDUCE AND MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO WASTEWATER; TO REDUCE AND MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; TO *AMEND* THE APPRENTICESHIP LICENSES! IN^ SOLID WASTE LICENSING; TO AMEND PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 265 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 265. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.265 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 308 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 308

Amend Senate Bill No. 308 as originally introduced:

Delete Representative Childress as sponsor of the bill

AND

Add Representative Rose as sponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS,

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 308, adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second, and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator hammer, Senate Bill No. 308 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 308

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE; TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 308 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 308. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.308 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 302 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 302

Amend Senate Bill No. 302 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 9, and substitute the following:

"gift card or gift card redemption information with the purpose of depriving the owner of property;"

AND

Page 2, delete line 11, and substitute the following:
"information from a card holder or card issuer with the purpose of depriving the owner of property;"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 302 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 117 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 117

Amend Senate Bill No. 117 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 11 through 13, and substitute the following:
"PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NATUROPATHY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO CREATE THE NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN PRACTICE ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE OF NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NATUROPATHY."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17 is amended to add an additional chapter to read as follows:

CHAPTER 108
NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN PRACTICE ACT

Subchapter 1 — General Provisions

17-108-101. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Naturopathic Physician Practice Act".

17-108-102. Legislative findings and intent.

(a) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) The practice of naturopathic medicine in this state affects the public health, safety, and welfare and should be subject to regulation and control in the public interest; and

(2) Naturopathic physicians comprise a distinct healthcare profession that affects the public health, safety, and welfare and increases freedom of choice in health care in this state.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly to ensure that naturopathic physicians and the practice of naturopathic medicine as defined in this subchapter merit the confidence of the public, that only qualified persons be authorized to practice naturopathic medicine in this state, and that a person shall not practice naturopathic medicine without a valid existing license.

17-108-103. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(1) "Approved naturopathic medical school" means a medical school approved by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy under this subchapter that prepares a naturopathic physician for the practice of naturopathic medicine;

(2)(A) "Clinical laboratory procedure" means the use of venipuncture consistent with naturopathic medical practice, commonly used diagnostic modalities consistent with naturopathic practice, the recording of a patient's health history,

physical examination, ordering and interpretation of radiographic diagnostics, and other standard imaging and examination of body orifices, excluding endoscopy and colonoscopy.

(B) "Clinical laboratory procedure" includes the practice of obtaining samples of human tissues, except surgical excision beyond surgical excision that is authorized as a minor office procedure;

(3) "Homeopathic medicine" means a system of medicine based on the use of minimal doses of substances capable of producing symptoms similar to those of the disease treated, as listed in the Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States;

(4) "Hygiene" means the use of preventive techniques, including personal hygiene, asepsis, public health, and safety;

(5) "Laboratory examination" means:

(A) Phlebotomy;

(B) A clinical laboratory procedure;

(C) An orificial examination;

(D) A physiological function test; and

(E) A screening or test that is consistent with naturopathic education and training;

(6) "Minor office procedure" means minor surgical care and procedures, including:

(A) Surgical care incidental to superficial laceration, lesion or abrasion, excluding surgical care to treat a lesion suspected of malignancy;

(B) The removal of foreign bodies located in superficial structures, excluding the globe of the eye;

(C) Trigger point therapy;

(D) Dermal stimulation;

(E) Allergy testing and treatment; and

(F) The use of antiseptics and topical or local anesthetics;

(7) "Naturopathic medicine" means:

(A) A system of health care for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of human health conditions, injury, and disease;

(B) The promotion or restoration of health; and

(C) The support and stimulation of a patient's inherent self-healing processes through patient education and the use of naturopathic therapies and therapeutic substances;

(8) "Naturopathic therapeutic medicine" means the use of one (1) or more of the following physical agents in a manner consistent with naturopathic medical practice on a part or the whole of the body, by hand or by mechanical means, in the resolution of a human ailment or condition:

(A) Air;

(B) Water;

(C) Heat;

(D) Cold;

(E) Sound;

(F) Light;

(G) Electromagnetism;

(H) Colon hydrotherapy;

(I) Soft tissue therapy;

(J) Joint mobilization;

(K) Therapeutic exercise; or

(L) Naturopathic manipulation;

(9) "Naturopathic physician" means an individual licensed under this subchapter as a naturopathic physician to practice naturopathic medicine in this state;

(10) "Naturopathic therapy" means the use of:

(A) Naturopathic therapeutic medicine;

(B) Suggestion;

(C) Hygiene;

(D) A therapeutic substance;

(E) Nutrition and food science;

(F) Homeopathic medicine;

(G) A clinical laboratory procedure; or

(H) A minor office procedure;

(11) "Nutrition and food science" means the prevention and treatment of disease or other human conditions through the use of food, water, herbs, roots, bark, or natural food elements;

(12) "Professional examination" means a competency-based national naturopathic physician licensing examination administered by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners or its successor agency, which nationally administers a naturopathic examination that represents federal standards of education and training;

(13) "Suggestion" means a technique using:

(A) Biofeedback;

(B) Hypnosis;

(C) Health education; or

(D) Health counseling; and

(14) "Therapeutic substance" means any of the following exemplified in a standard naturopathic medical text, journal, or pharmacopeia:

(A) A vitamin;

(B) A mineral;

(C) A nutraceutical;

(D) A botanical medicine;

(E) Oxygen;

(F) A homeopathic medicine;

(G) A hormone;

(H) A hormonal or pharmaceutical contraceptive device; or

(I) Other physiologic substance.

17-108-104. Exemptions.

This subchapter does not prohibit or restrict:

(1) The practice of a healthcare profession by an individual who is licensed, certified, or registered under the laws of this state and who is performing services within the individual's scope of practice;

(2) The practice of naturopathic medicine by a student enrolled in an approved naturopathic medical school if the practice of naturopathic medicine by a student is performed under a course of instruction or an assignment from an instructor and under the supervision of an instructor who is a licensee or a duly licensed professional in the instructed field;

(3) A person that sells a vitamin or herb from providing information about the vitamin or herb;

(4) The practice of naturopathic medicine by a person who is licensed to practice in any other state or district in the United States and who enters this state to consult with a naturopathic physician of this state if the consultation is limited to examination, recommendation, or testimony in litigation; or

(5) A person or practitioner who is not licensed as a naturopathic physician from recommending ayurvedic medicine, herbal remedies, nutritional advice, homeopathy, or other therapy that is within the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine if that person or practitioner does not:

(A) Use a title protected under this subchapter;

(B) Represent or assume the character or appearance of a licensee of this subchapter; or

(C) Otherwise use a name, title, or other designation that indicates or implies that the person is a licensee of this subchapter.

17-108-105. Title protection.

(a) A licensee shall use the title "naturopathic physician" or "naturopathic doctor" and the recognized abbreviation "N.D.".

(b) A licensee has the exclusive right to use the following terms in reference to the licensee's self:

(1) "Naturopathic physician";

(2) "Naturopathic doctor";

(3) "Doctor of naturopathic medicine";

(4) "Doctor of naturopathy";

(5) "N.D.";

(6) "ND";

(7) "NMD"; and

(8) "N.M.D.".

(c) An individual represents the individual's self to be a naturopathic physician or a naturopathic doctor when the individual uses or adopts any of the terms in subdivisions (b)(1)-(8) of this section in reference to the individual's self.

(d)(1) An individual shall not represent the individual's self to the public as a

naturopathic physician, naturopathic doctor, a doctor of naturopathic medicine, or a doctor of naturopathy, or as being otherwise authorized to practice naturopathic medicine in the state, unless the individual is licensed under this subchapter.

(2) An individual who is not licensed under this subchapter is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor if he or she:

(A) Holds himself or herself out as a naturopathic physician or naturopathic doctor;

(B) Uses any combination or abbreviation of the term "naturopathic physician" or "naturopathic doctor" indicating or implying that he or she is a naturopathic physician or naturopathic doctor; or

(C) Acts as a naturopathic physician without being licensed by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathic.

17-108-106. Approved naturopathic medical school.

(a) The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall establish, by rule, guidelines for an approved naturopathic medical school and specifications for the education of naturopathic physicians in this state.

(b) The guidelines established under subsection (a) of this section shall include that the approved naturopathic medical school shall require at a minimum:

(1) Graduation from:

(A) A naturopathic medical education program in the United States providing the degree of Doctor of Naturopathy or Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine, that:

(i) Offers graduate-level, full-time didactic, and supervised clinical training;

(ii) Is accredited or has achieved candidacy status for accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or an equivalent federally recognized accrediting body for naturopathic medical programs also recognized by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy; and

(iii) Is an institution of higher education or part of an institution of higher education that is either accredited or is a candidate for accreditation by a regional or national institutional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Secretary of Education;

(B) A degree-granting institution of higher education that, before the existence of the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education, offered a full-time, structured curriculum in basic sciences and supervised patient care comprising a doctoral naturopathic medical education requiring not less than one hundred thirty-two (132) weeks of coursework to be completed within a period of not less than thirty-five (35) months, that was reputable and in good standing in the judgment of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy and which, if still in existence, has current programmatic accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or a federally recognized equivalent accrediting agency;

(C) A diploma-granting, degree-equivalent institution of higher education located in Canada that, before the existence of the Council on

Naturopathic Medical Education, had provincial approval for participation in government-funded student aid programs, offered a full-time, structured curriculum in basic sciences and supervised patient care comprising a doctoral naturopathic medical education requiring not less than one hundred thirty-two (132) weeks of coursework to be completed within a period of not less than thirty (30) months, was reputable and in good standing in the judgment of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy, and, if still in existence, has current programmatic accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or a federally recognized equivalent accrediting agency, and currently has provincial approval for participation in government-funded student aid programs; or

(D) A diploma-granting, degree-equivalent institution of higher education located in Canada that has provincial approval for participation in government-funded student aid programs, offers graduate-level, full-time didactic, and supervised clinical training, and is accredited or has achieved candidacy status for accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or an equivalent federally recognized accrediting body for naturopathic medical programs also recognized by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy; and

(2) Successful completion of a competency-based national naturopathic medicine licensing examination administered by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners, or an equivalent agency recognized by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy, or, for graduates of approved naturopathic medical programs in the United States before the existence of the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education, a competency-based state naturopathic medicine licensing examination, or equivalent Canadian provincial licensing examination for the practice of naturopathic medicine approved by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy.

Subchapter 2 — Arkansas State Board of Naturopathic

17-108-201. Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy — Creation.

(a) There is created the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy.

(b)(1)(A) The board shall consist of thirteen (13) members appointed by the Governor for terms of six (6) years.

(B) The Governor shall consider diversity of practice specialties and geographical areas of practice in making appointments to the board.

(2)(A)(i) Ten (10) members shall be qualified, licensed, and active naturopathic physicians appointed by the Governor and shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(ii) At least two (2) members shall be appointed from each of the state's four (4) congressional districts.

(iii) Two (2) members shall be appointed at large.

(B) Congressional district representation required under this subdivision (b)(2) shall be achieved by appointment as vacancies occur.

(3) One (1) member shall be a licensed practicing naturopathic

physician in this state and shall be appointed by the Governor and shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(4)(A) Two (2) members of the board shall not be actively engaged in or be retired from the practice of naturopathic medicine.

(B) One (1) member shall represent consumers, and one (1) member shall be sixty (60) years of age or older and shall represent the elderly.

(C) Both shall be appointed from the state at large subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(D) The two (2) positions may not be held by the same person.

(E) Both shall be full voting members but shall not participate in the grading of examinations.

(c)(1) The term of each member shall expire on December 31 of the year designated, and a successor appointee shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate, on or before the expiration date of the term expiring.

(2) A member may not serve on the board for more than two (2) full terms or more than thirteen (13) years.

(d) Vacancies on the board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor within thirty (30) days of the vacancy.

(e) The members of the board shall take the oath prescribed by the Arkansas Constitution for state officers before entering upon the discharge of their duties.

(f)(1) Members of the board may be removed from the office by the Governor:

(A) For good cause under § 25-16-804;

(B) For cause including dishonorable or unprofessional conduct, abuse of authority, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance; or

(C) For any reason that would justify probation, suspension, or revocation of a license to practice naturopathic medicine.

(2) A member of the board shall not be involved in the investigation except to cooperate with the investigation as required by the investigator.

17-108-202. Organization and proceedings.

(a)(1) Within thirty (30) days after their appointment, the members of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall meet and organize by electing a chair, vice chair, and treasurer.

(2) The Treasurer of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall give bond in such amount as may be designated by the board, which may be increased or decreased from time to time, conditioned for the faithful disbursement and accounting of all moneys coming into his or her hands as the treasurer.

(b) The board shall hold its regular meetings as established by rule of the board and shall have the power to call and hold special meetings at such times and places as deemed necessary.

17-108-203. Powers and duties.

The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall:

(1) Regulate the licensure of naturopathic physicians and determine the hours of continuing education units required for maintaining licensure as a naturopathic physician;

(2) Prescribe the manner in which records of examinations and treatments shall be kept and maintained;

(3) Establish:

(A) Standards for professional responsibility and conduct;

(B) Criteria for advertising or promotional materials;

(C) Continuing education hours and content;

(D) Standards for the state jurisprudence examination;

(E) Schedules for providing licensing examinations and for the issuance of examination results;

(F) Procedures and standards for reviewing licensing examination scores;

(G) Procedures for reviewing transcripts demonstrating completion of an approved naturopathic medical school;

(H) Requirements for issuance and renewal of licenses; and

(I) Any other matter necessary to implement this chapter;

(4) Identify disciplinary actions and circumstances that require disciplinary action;

(5) Develop a means to provide information to all naturopathic physicians in the state;

(6) Provide for:

(A) The investigation of complaints against naturopathic physicians or persons holding themselves out as naturopathic physicians in the state;

(B) The publication of information for the public about naturopathic physicians and the practice of naturopathic medicine in the state; and

(C) An orderly process for reinstatement of a license; and

(7) Create and maintain a list of approved naturopathic medical schools that meet statutory requirements under this chapter.

Subchapter 3 — Licensure

17-108-301. Qualifications for licensure.

The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall license an applicant who:

(1) Submits, in accordance with rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy, the following items to the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy:

(A) An application for licensure developed by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy and submitted in accordance with rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy;

(B) An application fee submitted in an amount and manner established by rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy;

(C) Evidence that the applicant has:

(i) Graduated from an approved naturopathic medical school;

(ii) Successful completed of a competency-based national naturopathic medicine licensing examination; and

(iii) Passed a state jurisprudence examination that meets standards established in rules of the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy; and

(D) Evidence of professional liability insurance with policy limits not less than prescribed by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy;

(2) Is determined by the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy to be physically and mentally capable of safely practicing naturopathic medicine with or without reasonable accommodation; and

(3) Has not had a license to practice naturopathic medicine or other healthcare license, registration, or certificate refused, revoked, or suspended by any other jurisdiction for reasons that relate to the applicant's ability to skillfully and safely practice naturopathic medicine unless that license, registration, or certification has been restored to good standing by that jurisdiction.

17-108-302. Scope of practice.

A licensee may practice naturopathic medicine to provide primary care in alignment with naturopathic medical education to:

(1) Perform physical examinations;

(2) Order laboratory examinations;

(3) Order diagnostic imaging studies;

(4) Interpret the results of laboratory examinations for diagnostic purposes;

(5) Order and, based on a radiologist's report, take action on diagnostic imaging studies in a manner consistent with naturopathic training;

(6) Prescribe, administer, dispense, and order food, extracts of food, nutraceuticals, vitamins, amino acids, minerals, enzymes, botanicals and their extracts, botanical medicines, homeopathic medicines, all dietary supplements, and nonprescription drugs as defined by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, 21 U.S.C. § 301 et seq., as existing on January 1, 2025;

(7) Administer intramuscular, intravenous, subcutaneous, intra-articular, and intradermal injections of substances appropriate to naturopathic medicine;

(8) Use routes of administration that include oral, nasal, auricular, ocular, rectal, vaginal, transdermal, intradermal, subcutaneous, intravenous, intra-articular, and intramuscular consistent with the education and training of a naturopathic physician;

(9) Perform naturopathic therapeutic medicine;

(10) Employ the use of naturopathic therapy;

(11) Use therapeutic devices, barrier contraception, and durable medical equipment; and

(12) Perform minor office procedures.

17-108-303. Prohibitions.

A naturopathic physician shall not:

(1) Perform surgery outside of the scope of minor office procedures permitted in the employment of naturopathic therapy;

(2) Use general or spinal anesthetics;

(3) Administer ionizing radioactive substances for therapeutic purposes;

(4) Perform a surgical procedure:

(A) Using a laser device; or

(B) Involving any of the following areas of the body that extend beyond superficial tissue:

(i) Eye;

(ii) Ear;

(iii) Tendon;

(iv) Nerves;

(v) Veins; or

(vi) Artery;

(5) Perform a surgical abortion;

(6) Treat any lesion suspected of malignancy or requiring surgical removal; or

(7) Perform acupuncture.

17-108-304. License expiration and renewal — Denial and revocation — Continuing education.

(a) A license issued or renewed under this chapter shall expire two (2) years following its issuance or renewal.

(b) The Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy may renew the license of any naturopathic physician who, upon the expiration of his or her license:

(1) Has submitted an application for renewal;

(2) Has paid the renewal fee established by rules of the board;

(3) Meets the qualifications for licensure under this subchapter and rules of the board; and

(4) Meets the continuing education requirements established by the board.

(c) The board shall grant an opportunity for a hearing to applicants and licensees for whom the board intends to refuse to issue or renew a license, or whose license the board proposes to revoke or suspend.

17-108-305. Display of license.

A naturopathic physician shall display his or her license in his or her place of business in a location clearly visible to his or her patients and shall also display evidence of the naturopathic physician having completed an approved naturopathic

medical school.

17-108-306. Referral requirement.

A naturopathic physician shall refer to a physician licensed to practice in the state any patient whose medical condition is determined, at the time of evaluation or treatment, to be beyond the scope of practice of the naturopathic physician.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. TEMPORARY LANGUAGE. Issuance of first licenses.

On or before December 1, 2025, the Arkansas State Board of Naturopathy shall issue licenses to those applicants who have met the requirements of this act and board rules promulgated in accordance with this act."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1474 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1474

Amend House Bill No. 1474 as engrossed H2/24/25:

Add Representative Lundstrum as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, line 26, delete "in a conspicuous" and substitute "in restrooms and in a conspicuous"

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1474 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1536 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1536

Amend House Bill No. 1536 as originally introduced:

Add Senator D. Wallace

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1536 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 261 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 261

As Engrossed: S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ON CERTAIN ROADS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ACCESS OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES TO UNPAVED ROADS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 261 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 261. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.261 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 299 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 299
As Engrossed: S3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO REQUIRE A* STAFF MEMBER TO WITNESS AN ADMINISTRATOR ASSISTING A RESIDENT OF A LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY WITH ABSENTEE VOTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 299 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 299. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.299 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 309 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 309

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "PSYCHIATRIC COLLABORATIVE CARE MODEL" UNDER THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO INCLUDE CERTAIN CLINICAL PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACIST SERVICES IN THE PSYCHIATRIC COLLABORATIVE CARE MODEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 309 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 309. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo , Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, McKee.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 309 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 329 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 329

As Engrossed: S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ONLINE MARKETPLACE GUARANTEES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 329 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 329. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.329 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 343 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 343

As Engrossed: S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATE ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETARY PROCEDURE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATE-OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC PROPERTY; TO AMEND THE AUTOMOBILE AND PICKUP TRUCK ACQUISITION ACT FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 343 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 343. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 343 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 353 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

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On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 372 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 372
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SIGNAL LEGEND OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES; TO ALLOW A VEHICLE DRIVER TO ENTER AN INTERSECTION WHILE A RED LIGHT IS INDICATED ON A TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 372 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone.

Total 7

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dees, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Leding, Love, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Boyd, Caldwell, Dismang, English, Flippo, Johnson, B., King, Murdock, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 10

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Hammer, Payton, Rice, Scott, Sullivan.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 25

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Clark moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 372 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 372 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 11, 2025.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 393 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 393
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE MAIGHEN'S LAW; TO AMEND THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 393 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 393. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.393 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1068 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1068

As Engrossed: H3/5//25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCELROY

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCLUDE EMPLOYEES OF A METROPOLITAN PORT AUTHORITY IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1068 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1068. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1068 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1193 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193

As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/30/25 S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO INCLUDE A LIENHOLDER ON PAYMENTS MADE UNDER AN INSURANCE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1193 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke against the bill.

Senator Payton spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Hickey, Johnson, B., McKee, Payton, Petty.

Total 6

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 20

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flippo, King.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Hammer, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Dismang moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1193 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1193 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 11, 2025.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1405 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1405
As Engrossed: H2/11/25 H2/18/25 H2/20/25 S3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, *GRAMLICH, L. JOHNSON*
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES CONCERNING PROCURERS; TO ADD ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS REGARDING THE USE OF A PROCURER BY A LICENSED CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1405 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson spoke against the bill.

Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.

Senator Boyd closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dees, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dotson, Hickey, Sullivan.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Dismang.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1405 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1489 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1489
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, ET AL
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, CALDWELL, CROWELL, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, J. PAYTON, RICE, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. SULLIVAN, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE METHOD OF EXECUTION TO INCLUDE NITROGEN GAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1489 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding spoke against the bill.
Senator Scott spoke against the bill.
Senator Hammer spoke for the bill.
Senator Blake Johnson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Dismang, Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1489 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1502 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1502
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF A HISTORIC OR SPECIAL INTEREST VEHICLE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANTIQUE MOTOR VEHICLE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1502 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1502. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1502 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1581 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1581

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HENLEY, ET AL

BY: SENATORS J. ENGLISH, IRVIN, B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITION OF SEX OFFENSE FOR RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF A CRIME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1581 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1581. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1581 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1596 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1596
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE; TO CREATE MOBILE WORK ZONES; TO ASSESS A FINE FOR A MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATION IN A MOBILE WORK ZONE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Hammer requested House Bill No. 1596 be pulled down and placed at the bottom of today's calendar.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1605 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1605
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-GENERAL CONTRACTOR METHOD OF PROCUREMENT PILOT PROGRAM; TO MAKE THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-GENERAL CONTRACTOR METHOD OF PROCUREMENT PROGRAM PERMANENT FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT STUDY OF THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-GENERAL CONTRACTOR METHOD OF PROCUREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1605 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1605. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1605 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1609 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1609

As Engrossed: S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, ET AL.

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, IRVIN, J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO CREATE AN ENHANCED PENALTY FOR RECRUITING TRAFFICKED PERSONS FROM CERTAIN PLACES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1609 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1609. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1609, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1609 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1596 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1596
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE; TO CREATE MOBILE WORK ZONES; TO ASSESS A FINE FOR A MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATION IN A MOBILE WORK ZONE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1596 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Flowers.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Dotson, Gilmore, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1596 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 307 at this time.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 307 was withdrawn by Senator Dismang.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 307 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 307

Amend Senate Bill No. 307 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Achor, F. Allen, Barnett, Beaty Jr., Brooks, M. Brown, Clowney, Cozart, Duffield, Eaton, Eubanks, Evans, K. Ferguson, Gramlich, Hall, Jean, L. Johnson, Ladyman, Lynch, Maddox, B. McKenzie, Pilkington, J. Richardson, R. Scott Richardson, Rye, Unger, Warren, Wing, Wooten as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 4, delete line 3, and substitute "decision under § 23-2-423."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 29 and 30, and substitute the following:
"the commission to apply rate case procedures, and the commission notifies the co-op that the commission will initiate an investigation and may apply rate case procedures if the commission determines that there is substantial evidence indicating that rates and charges are"

AND

Page 10, line 34, delete "service; and" and substitute "service;"

AND

Page 11, delete line 3, and substitute the following:
"law, or not in the public interest;

(14) It is the policy of this state to maintain adequate capacity of available, reliable, dispatchable, affordable, and resilient electric generation to provide for the existing and reasonably projected future energy consumption needs of all consumers of electricity in Arkansas;

(15) Arkansas can support a multitude of potential electric generating resources and fuel supply resources so as to be the national leader in the production of reliable and affordable energy in all forms that make sense and are technically feasible, commercially viable, and financially viable or otherwise beneficial to customers in Arkansas and the Arkansas Public Service Commission shall ensure that generation resources will maintain or improve the affordability, adequacy, and reliability of the electric grid in Arkansas;

(16) Strategic investments will support the expansion of Arkansas's natural gas production capacity that will lead to economic growth and employment opportunities in that business sector and will support the continued development and use of Arkansas's natural resources; and

(17) Strategic investments will enhance the capacity, reliability, and resiliency of Arkansas's electric and natural gas utility infrastructure, which will support the reliability and resiliency of Arkansas's overall utility infrastructure and reliable electric and natural gas utility service during extreme temperatures and other weather conditions and during other periods of high demand and usage."

AND

Page 11, delete line 11

AND

Page 11, line 12, delete "(v)" and substitute "(iv)"

AND

Page 11, line 14, delete "(vi)" and substitute "(v)"

AND

Page 11, line 16, delete "(vii)" and substitute "(vi)"

AND

Page 11, line 18, delete "(viii)" and substitute "(vii)"

AND

Page 11, line 19, delete "(ix)" and substitute "(viii)"

AND

Page 11, line 20, delete "(x)" and substitute "(ix)"

AND

Page 11, line 21, delete "(xi)" and substitute "(x)"

AND

Page 12, delete line 27, and substitute the following:
"electric public utility or natural gas public utility, and approved by the Arkansas Public Service Commission under § 23-3-201 et seq., the Utility Facility Environmental and Economic Protection Act, § 23-18-501 et seq., or a notice under § 23-18-104 or as otherwise stated in subdivision (10)(B) of this section, to:"

AND

Page 13, delete lines 32 through 36, and substitute the following:
"one hundred twenty-five pounds per square inch gauge (125 PSIG) or greater and natural gas storage facilities;"

AND

Page 14, delete lines 4 through 7, and substitute the following:
"(125 PSIG) or greater and natural gas storage facilities; and"

AND

Page 15, line 23, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 15, delete lines 27 through 29, and substitute the following:
"strategic investments that are not included in rates."

AND

Page 16, line 18, delete "and therefore is in the public interest"

AND

Page 16, line 22, delete "sixty (60)" and substitute "ninety (90)"

AND

Page 16, delete lines 27 and 28, and substitute the following:
"subchapter does not comply with this section, the commission shall enter an order denying the application."

AND

Page 18, line 1, delete "decision." and substitute "decision under § 23-2-423."

AND

Page 18, line 25, delete "(h)" and substitute "(h)(1)"

AND

Page 18, delete line 27, and substitute the following:
"review under this subchapter.

(2) At any time during the process, if the commission finds that any costs were not prudently incurred, the commission shall order that the costs that were not prudently incurred be refunded to customers through bill credits."

AND

Page 19, delete lines 2 through 5, and substitute the following:
"through the rider under this subchapter on any construction work in progress."

AND

Page 19, delete line 23, and substitute the following:
"structure with a minimum equity percentage of thirty percent (30%) and a maximum equity percentage of fifty percent (50%)."

AND

Page 21, line 19, delete "evaluate opportunities to"

AND

Page 22, delete lines 2 through 7, and substitute the following:
"utility or the investor-owned natural gas utility has strategic investments under construction in an amount equal to or greater than the amount"

AND

Page 22, delete lines 19 through 22, and substitute the following:
"or an investor-owned natural gas utility has strategic investments under construction in an amount equal to or greater than the level of"

AND

Page 22, line 30, delete "approved"

AND

Page 22, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:
"amounts identified in subdivisions (t)(1) and (2) of this section and designate those amounts to offset the cost of approved strategic investments not yet under construction if the commission determines that doing so is in the public"

AND

Page 23, delete lines 1 and 2

AND

Page 23, delete line 15, and substitute the following:
"as required under § 23-4-1207(b), plus interest at a rate equal to the cost of short-term debt approved in the investor-owned electric utility's or the investor-owned natural gas utility's most recent general rate case proceeding or annual formula rate plan filing."

AND

Page 24, line 4, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 24, line 16, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 24, line 34, delete "are completed and placed in service and" and substitute "are first included in rates and"

AND

Page 25, line 13, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 25, delete lines 32 through 36, and substitute the following:
"gas utility shall immediately notify the commission of any significant delays or material changes in the construction schedule to include any strategic investments that are abandoned before completion or for which construction has been indefinitely suspended or material changes in costs of any strategic investments recovered through the rider under this subsection (d)."

AND

Page 26, delete line 1

AND

Page 26, line 11, delete "versus recovery through rates"

AND

Page 26, line 13, delete "reasonable; or" and substitute "reasonable; and"

AND

Page 26, delete lines 14 through 16, and substitute the following:
"(D) Recovery of those costs is in the public interest."

AND

Page 26, line 26, delete "reasonable; or" and substitute "reasonable; and"

AND

Page 26, delete lines 27 through 29, and substitute the following:
"(C) Recovery of those costs is in the public interest."

AND

Page 30, delete lines 24 and 25, and substitute the following:
"recover strategic investments that are not included in rates."

AND

Page 31, line 10, delete "and therefore is in the public interest."

AND

Page 31, line 14, delete "sixty (60)" and substitute "ninety (90)"

AND

Page 31, delete lines 18 and 19, and substitute the following:
"application does not comply with this section, the commission shall enter an order denying the"

AND

Page 32, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"decision under § 23-2-423."

AND

Page 33, line 22, delete "(h)" and substitute "(h)(1)"

AND

Page 33, delete line 24, and substitute the following:
"review under this subchapter.

(2) At any time during the process, if the commission finds that any costs were not prudently incurred, the commission shall order that the costs that were not prudently incurred be refunded to customers through bill credits."

AND

Page 34, delete lines 5 through 7, and substitute the following:
"construction work in progress."

AND

Page 35, line 30, delete "evaluate opportunities to"

AND

Page 37, line 4, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 37, line 16, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 37, line 34, delete "are completed and placed into service and" and substitute "are first included in rates and"

AND

Page 38, line 15, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 38, delete lines 33 through 36, and substitute the following:
"transmission cooperative shall immediately notify the commission of any significant delays or material changes in the construction schedule to include any strategic investments that are abandoned before completion or for which construction has been indefinitely suspended or material changes in costs of any strategic investments recovered through the rider in this subsection (d)."

AND

Page 39, delete lines 1 and 2

AND

Page 39, line 13, delete "versus recovery through rates otherwise"

AND

Page 39, line 15, delete "reasonable; or" and substitute "reasonable; and"

AND

Page 39, delete lines 16 through 18, and substitute the following:
"(D) Recovery of those costs is in the public interest."

AND

Page 39, line 29, delete "reasonable; or" and substitute "reasonable; and"

AND

Page 39, delete lines 30 through 32, and substitute the following:
"(C) Recovery of those costs is in the public interest."

AND

Page 41, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"(i) Once strategic investments in public utility facilities that are complete and in"

AND

Page 42, delete line 1

AND

Page 43, line 6, delete "sighting" and substitute "siting"

AND

Page 44, line 19, delete "(d)" and substitute "(d)(1)"

AND

Page 46, line 14, delete "decision." and substitute "decision under § 23-2-423."

AND

Page 48, line 22, delete "decision." and substitute "decision under § 23-3-423."

AND

Page 49, delete lines 17 and 18, and substitute the following:
"Jobs Act of 2025, § 23-4-1301 et seq., as part of a public utility's notice under this section or application to construct an electric generation facility under this subchapter."

AND

Page 50, line 32, delete "decision." and substitute "decision under § 23-2-423."

AND

Page 55, delete lines 4 through 6, and substitute the following:
"Generating Arkansas Jobs Act of 2025, § 23-4-1301 et seq., as part of a public utility's application under the Utility Facility Environmental and Economic Protection Act, § 23-18-501 et seq."

AND

Page 55, line 27, delete "18-503(7)(A)" and substitute "18-503(6)(A)"

AND

Page 60, line 12, delete "person or corporation that" and substitute "person as defined under § 23-1-101(8) ~~or corporation~~ that"

AND

Page 61, line 25, delete "decision." and substitute "decision under § 23-2-423."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 307 was ordered engrossed.

Senator Dismang moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1193 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 302, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 117, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1474, BY REPRESENTATIVE CARR,
BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1536, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCELROY,
BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1536 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 43
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE MARCH 12, 2025, AS STARS OF LIFE DAY AND TO RECOGNIZE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF CERTAIN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROFESSIONALS.

Senate Resolution No. 43 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 425
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 425 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 426

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEFENSE AGAINST CRIMINAL ILLEGALS ACT; TO ESTABLISH ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR ILLEGAL ALIENS WHO COMMIT SERIOUS FELONIES INVOLVING VIOLENCE; TO ENSURE THAT SHERIFF'S OFFICES AND THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE WARRANT SERVICE OFFICER PROGRAM; TO EXPAND THE STATE'S CURRENT BAN ON SANCTUARY CITIES TO INCLUDE COUNTIES AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 426 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 427

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF PROMOTING PROSTITUTION; TO REPEAL SECTIONS OF THE LAW CONCERNING PROMOTING PROSTITUTION; TO ENHANCE THE PENALTIES FOR PROMOTING PROSTITUTION; TO PENALIZE A BUSINESS INVOLVED IN PROMOTING PROSTITUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 427 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 428
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AND ACT CONCERNING A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROVIDE A STATUTE OF LIMITATION PERIOD OF TEN YEARS FOR A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 428 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 429
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN LAWS FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS; TO PROVIDE THAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS; TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE CRIMINAL RECORD SEALING ACT OF 2013 TO EXPAND THE SEALING OF CRIMINAL RECORDS OF VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROVIDE THAT A NO-CONTACT ORDER IS MANDATORY FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 429 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 430
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE MANDATORY RESTITUTION TO BE AWARDED TO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 430 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 431
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT OF 2013; TO ELIMINATE THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR PROSECUTION OF CERTAIN HUMAN TRAFFICKING RELATED CRIMINAL OFFENSES; TO CREATE SAFE HARBORS FOR MINORS FROM SEX OFFENSES AND OTHER CRIMES THAT RESULT FROM HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROHIBIT THE MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, SALE, AND POSSESSION OF CHILD SEX DOLLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 431 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1285
As Engrossed: H2/20/25 H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN EXEMPTION PROGRAM FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE'S OPERATORS FOR CERTAIN HEALTHCARE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1285 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1398
As Engrossed: H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOLS TO SUPPORT, ESTABLISH, AND IMPLEMENT A CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN THAT INTEGRATES NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ELEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1398 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1497

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY TO THE LIST OF CLAIMANT AGENCIES FOR PURPOSES OF THE SETOFF AGAINST STATE TAX *REFUNDS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "DEBT" FOR PURPOSES OF THE SETOFF AGAINST STATE TAX REFUNDS;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1497 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1576

As Engrossed: H2/27/25 H3/3/25 H3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, *UNGER*

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL TO BE PLACED OVER A KARST TOPOGRAPHY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1576 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1601

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, *MCGRUDER*

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REQUIRE STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO PROVIDE CAREER COUNSELING AND OTHER RESOURCES TO CERTAIN STUDENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1601 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Senate Bill No. 209 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 210 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 260 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 222 was returned from the House as passed as amended and ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 222 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 432
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ACCOUNTANTS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF SUBSTANTIAL EQUIVALENCY FOR THE PRACTICE OF ACCOUNTANCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 432 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 209, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 210, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 260, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 265, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 308, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 4:39 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for her approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 209
SENATE BILL NO. 210
SENATE BILL NO. 260
SENATE BILL NO. 265
SENATE BILL NO. 308

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this Eleventh day of March, 2025 at 4:39 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 261
SENATE BILL NO. 299
SENATE BILL NO. 309
SENATE BILL NO. 329
SENATE BILL NO. 343
SENATE BILL NO. 393

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED & ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 260

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED
AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 209
SENATE BILL NO. 210

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 222 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1285
HOUSE BILL NO. 1398
HOUSE BILL NO. 1497
HOUSE BILL NO. 1576
HOUSE BILL NO. 1601

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1068
HOUSE BILL NO. 1489
HOUSE BILL NO. 1502
HOUSE BILL NO. 1581
HOUSE BILL NO. 1596
HOUSE BILL NO. 1605

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE AS PASSED
AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1405 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1609 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 12, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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FIFTY NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 12, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Boyd.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 148 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 148

Amend Senate Bill No. 148 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Achor

AND

Delete the title in its entirety, and substitute:

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO ESTABLISH THE CREATING AN INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD WORKERS ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute:

"TO ESTABLISH THE CREATING AN INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD WORKERS ACT OF 2025."

AND

Page 1, delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative intent.

It is the intent of the General Assembly to:

(1) Provide a voluntary mechanism for early childhood workers to participate in the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System; and

(2) Require no expenditure of state funds for matching of any contributions for early childhood workers who are not otherwise eligible for participation in the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-7-202(21), concerning the definition of "employment with a school" as it applies to the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(H) Employment of an early childhood worker as defined by § 24-7-212(b), with a licensed childcare facility that provides teaching, early childcare education, or supervision for a child enrolled in a licensed childcare facility under the Childcare Licensing Act, § 20-78-201 et seq.;"

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 7, Subchapter 2, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24-7-212. Creating an Investment Opportunity for Early Childhood Workers Act of 2025 — Definition.

(a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Creating an Investment Opportunity for Early Childhood Workers Act of 2025."

(b) As used in this section, "early childhood worker" means a person who is:

(1) Providing teaching, early childcare education, or supervision for a child enrolled in a licensed childcare facility under the Childcare Facility Licensing Act, § 20-78-201 et seq.;

(2) Employed by a childcare provider that is licensed and regulated by the Department of Education as an appropriate early childhood program as defined under § 6-45-103; and

(3) Employed by a childcare provider that receives state or federal child care funding from the Department of Education under § 6-87-101.

(c)(1) A single nonprofit fiscal agent that is approved by the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System may act as a pass-through fiscal agent to facilitate the voluntary participation of an early childhood worker in the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

(2) The board shall authorize participation consistent with § 24-7-202(21)(F)(i) and § 24-7-202(21)(F)(ii).

(3) Membership in the system is not mandatory for an employee of a facility regardless of whether the board authorizes participation under subdivision (c)(2) of this section.

(d) An early childhood worker shall not be entitled to:

(1) Contribution from state funds; or

(2) Matching from the state or the system.

(e) The board shall promulgate rules for the implementation of this section.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 148 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 204 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 204

Amend Senate Bill No. 204 as originally introduced:

Add Senators Hester, J. Boyd, J. Bryant, Caldwell, A. Clark, Crowell, B. Davis, Dees, J. Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, K. Hammer, Hill, B. Johnson, M. Johnson, B. King, M. McKee, R. Murdock, J. Payton, J. Petty, J. Scott, Stone, G. Stubblefield, D. Sullivan, D. Wallace as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Delete Representatives J. Moore, Ray, Rose as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Add Representatives Wooldridge, Evans, J. Moore, Ray, Rose, Achor, F. Allen, Andrews, Barnes, Barnett, Beaty Jr., Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, Brooks, A. Brown, K. Brown, M. Brown, Joey Carr, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Childress, Clowney, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Duffield, Duke, Eaton, Eaves, Ennett, K. Ferguson, Furman, D. Garner, Gazaway, Gonzales Worthen, Gramlich, Hall, Hawk, Holcomb, Hollowell, Hudson, Jean, L. Johnson, Ladyman, Long, Lundstrum, Lynch, Maddox,

Magie, J. Mayberry, McAlindon, McCollum, M. McElroy, McGrew, McGruder, McNair, S. Meeks, Milligan, Nazarenko, Painter, Pearce, Perry, Pilkington, Puryear, J. Richardson, R. Scott Richardson, Richmond, Rye, Steele, Steimel, Torres, Tosh, Underwood, Unger, Vaught, Walker, Warren, Wing, Womack as cosponsors of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 204 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 353 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 353

Amend Senate Bill No. 353 as engrossed S3/10/25:

Page 1, delete lines 33 through 35, and substitute the following:

"(ii) In odd-numbered years, on the:

(a) Second Tuesday in November; or

(b) ~~Second Tuesday in May~~ First Tuesday"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 10 through 14, and substitute the following:

"(2) ~~The seventh day of March for~~ Eighty-nine (89) days before an annual school election held on the ~~second~~ first Tuesday after the first Monday in ~~May~~ March of an odd-numbered year; and

(3) Seventy-two (72) days before an annual school election held on

the second Tuesday of November of an odd-numbered year."

AND

Page 4, line 11, delete "7-11-205(a)(1)" and substitute "7-11-205(a)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 15 through 19, and substitute the following:
"governmental entities as authorized by law shall be held on the ~~second Tuesday of~~:

(A) First Tuesday after the first Monday in March ~~or November in a year when a presidential election is held~~; ~~and~~ or

(B) ~~May or~~ Second Tuesday of November ~~of all other years~~.

(2)(A) Special elections scheduled to occur ~~in a month in which the second Tuesday is~~ on a legal holiday:

(i) In March on the first Tuesday after the first Monday shall be held on the second Tuesday of the month; and

(ii) In November on the second Tuesday shall be held on the third Tuesday of the month.

(B) Special elections held in months in which a preferential primary election or general election is scheduled to occur shall be held on the date of the preferential primary election or general election.

(C) A special election on a measure or question may be scheduled on the second Tuesday of a month, other than the months provided in subdivision (a)(1) of this section, if necessary to comply with the requirements of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 353 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 371 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 371

Amend Senate Bill No. 371 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Wooldridge

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 371 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Amend Senate Joint Resolution 11 as engrossed S3/10/25:

Page 2, line 9, delete "granted" and substitute "guaranteed"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 315 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 315 was withdrawn by the author.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 307, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO.148, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 204, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 353, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 148 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 204 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 353 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 371, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 371 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 376, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 283, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 403, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1365, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1410, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNGER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1608, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, VICE- CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 11, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1597, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 352, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 413, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 417, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1477, BY REPRESENTATIVE BARKER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1496, BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 321, BY SENATOR JAMIE BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 364, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 404, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 342, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1563, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1579, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1593, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1603, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1628, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1644, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1661, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1552, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 378, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 379, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 380, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 381, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 382, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 383, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 384, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 385, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 387, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 389, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1508, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 264, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 298, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO, MEMBER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 278, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 285, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
SENATE BILL NO. 286, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
SENATE BILL NO. 288, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 222, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1253, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1610, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245 BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE-CHAIR
SENATOR CLINT PENZO, MEMBER

SENATE BILL NO. 433
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING THE DISPLAY OF THE NATIONAL MOTTO AND THE TEN COMMANDMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 433 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 434
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE "PROTECT OUR CONSTITUTION ACT"; TO REQUIRE A MAJORITY VOTE OF ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE STATE FOR APPROVAL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO VOTERS UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1, AS AUTHORIZED BY THAT PROVISION OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 434 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 435
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF AGGRAVATED ASSAULT UPON A HEALTHCARE WORKER; TO DEFINE "HEALTHCARE WORKER" REGARDING ASSAULT AND BATTERY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 435 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 436
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; TO AMEND THE ABILITY OF A STUDENT WHO TRANSFERS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015 TO PARTICIPATE IN AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 436 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 437
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HALL, EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 437 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 438
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL PERSONNEL; TO PERMANENTLY BAN FROM COACHING A COACH OR AN ATHLETICS PERSONNEL MEMBER WHO RECRUITS A STUDENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 438 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 439
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 439 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 440
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS; TO REGULATE THE USE OF ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS; TO REGULATE ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 440 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 441
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS HESTER, C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE JUNK LAWSUIT PREVENTION ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 441 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 41 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 41
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BOYD

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025, AS SCOUTING DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 41 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Resolution No. 43 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 43
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE MARCH 12, 2025, AS STARS OF LIFE DAY AND TO RECOGNIZE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF CERTAIN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROFESSIONALS.

Senate Resolution No. 43 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 5.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 5 to SENATE BILL NO. 227

Amend Senate Bill No. 227 as engrossed S3/10/25:

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 25-19-103 is amended to read as follows:

25-19-103. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

(1) "Background and nondecisional information" means information that is not deliberation;

~~(1)(A)~~(2)(A) "Custodian", except as otherwise provided by law and with respect to any public record, means the person having administrative control of that record.

(B) "Custodian" does not mean a person who holds public

records solely for the purposes of storage, safekeeping, or data processing for others;

(3) "Cybersecurity" means the measures taken to achieve protection against the criminal or unauthorized use of electronic data;

(4) “Deliberation” means an exchange of information or opinion between two (2) or more members of a governing body that:

(A) Seeks, discloses, or inquires about a decision by a member of the governing body concerning any matter on which official action will foreseeably be taken by the governing body; or

(B) Solicits, discloses, or inquires about the support or opposition of a member of the governing body concerning any matter on which official action will foreseeably be taken by the governing body;

~~(2)~~(5) “Disaster recovery system” means an electronic data storage system implemented and maintained solely for the purpose of allowing a governmental unit or agency to recover operational systems and datasets following the occurrence of a catastrophe, including without limitation an act of war, an equipment failure, a cyberattack, or a natural disaster such as a tornado, earthquake, or fire;

~~(3)~~(6) “Format” means the organization, arrangement, and form of electronic information for use, viewing, or storage;

(7) “Governing body” means the governing body of a public entity;

(8) “Informal meeting” means the gathering of two (2) or more members of a governing body outside of a public meeting;

~~(4)~~(9) “Medium” means the physical form or material on which records and information may be stored or represented and may include, but is not limited to, paper, microfilm, microform, computer disks and diskettes, optical disks, and magnetic tapes;

~~(5)(A)~~(10)(A) “Municipally owned utility system” means a utility system owned or operated by a municipality that provides:

(i) Electricity;

(ii) Water;

(iii) Wastewater;

(iv) Cable television; or

(v) Broadband service.

(B) “Municipally owned utility system” includes without limitation a:

(i) Consolidated waterworks system under the Consolidated Waterworks Authorization Act, § 25-20-301 et seq.;

(ii) Utility system managed or operated by a nonprofit corporation under § 14-199-701 et seq.; and

(iii) Utility system owned or operated by a municipality or by a consolidated utility district under the General Consolidated Public Utility System Improvement District Law, § 14-217-101 et seq.;

(11) “Poll” means a series of communications:

(A) Between:

(i) One (1) or more persons paid by a public entity or agents or employees of that public entity; and

(ii) One (1) or more members of the governing body of that public entity;

(B) Concerning any matter on which official action will foreseeably be taken by the governing body;

(C) To determine:

(i) How the member of the governing body intends to vote; or

(ii) Whether the member of the governing body supports or opposes certain proposed action by the governing body; and

(D) For the purpose of exercising a responsibility, authority, power, or duty of the governing body;

~~(6)~~(12) ~~"Public meetings"~~ "Public entity" means ~~the meetings of any~~:

(A) A bureau, commission, or agency of the state; ~~or any~~

(B) A political subdivision of the state, including municipalities, ~~and~~ counties, and boards of education~~,~~; and ~~all~~

(C) All other boards, bureaus, commissions, or organizations in the State of Arkansas, except grand juries, supported wholly or in part by public funds or expending public funds;

(13)(A) "Public meeting" means the formal gathering together, in a special or regular gathering, of a governing body, whether in person or remotely.

(B) "Public meeting" does not include:

(i) The gathering together, whether in person or remotely, of the members of a governing body to discuss the settlement of a cause of action in a court-ordered alternative dispute resolution process, including without limitation a settlement conference or mediation; and

(ii) A meeting of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee under § 10-3-3201 et seq.;

~~(7)(A)~~(14)(A) "Public records" means writings, recorded sounds, films, tapes, electronic or computer-based information, or data compilations in any medium required by law to be kept or otherwise kept and that constitute a record of the performance or lack of performance of official functions that are or should be carried out by a public official or employee, a governmental agency, or any other agency or improvement district that is wholly or partially supported by public funds or expending public funds. All records maintained in public offices or by public employees within the scope of their employment shall be presumed to be public records.

(B) "Public records" does not mean software acquired by purchase, lease, or license;

~~(8)~~(15) "Public water system" means all facilities composing a system for the collection, treatment, and delivery of drinking water to the general public, including without limitation reservoirs, pipelines, reclamation facilities, processing facilities,

distribution facilities, and regional water distribution districts under The Regional Water Distribution District Act, § 14-116-101 et seq.; ~~and~~

(16) "Remotely" means through electronic means, including without limitation by telephone, video conference, or video broadcast; and

~~(9)~~(17) "Vulnerability assessment" means an assessment of the vulnerability of a public water system to a terrorist attack or other intentional acts intended to substantially disrupt the ability of the public water system to provide a safe and reliable supply of drinking water as required by the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-188.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 25-19-106 is amended to read as follows:

25-19-106. ~~Open public~~ Public meetings — Requirements, exceptions, and penalties.

(a) ~~Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, all meetings, formal or informal, special or regular, of the governing bodies of all municipalities, counties, townships, and school districts and all boards, bureaus, commissions, or organizations of the State of Arkansas, except grand juries, supported wholly or in part by public funds or expending public funds, shall be public meetings.~~ To lawfully hold a public meeting, a governing body shall ensure that:

(1) Prior notice of the public meeting has been provided as required under subsection (b) of this section;

(2) Any executive session held within a public meeting is conducted as required under subsection (c) of this section;

(3) The public meeting is recorded as provided under subsection (d) of this section;

(4) The public is permitted reasonable access to the public meeting, and members of the governing body attend the public meeting in the appropriate manner, as provided under subsection (e) of this section; and

(5) The public meeting is conducted in a manner that allows the public to attend and hear all of the governing body's meaningful discussion and deliberation, if any, on official business as provided under subsections (f) and (g) of this section.

(b)(1)(A) The time and place of each regular public meeting shall be furnished to anyone who requests the information.

(B) Unless another notification timeline for the public meeting of a governing body is specified by law, the notification required under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section shall be made at least three (3) days before the public meeting takes place in order that the public may have representatives at the public meeting.

(2)(A) In the event of an emergency or special ~~meetings~~ public meeting, the person calling the public meeting shall notify the representatives of the newspapers, radio stations, and television stations, if any, located in the county in which the public meeting is to be held and any news media located elsewhere that cover regular public meetings of the governing body and that have requested to be

so notified of emergency or special public meetings of the time, place, and date of the public meeting.

(B) ~~Notification~~ The notification required under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section shall be made at least two (2) hours before the public meeting takes place in order that the public ~~shall~~ may have representatives at the public meeting.

(3) In addition to the requirements under subdivisions (b)(1) and (2) of this section:

(A) The time, place, and date of a public meeting shall be published online if the governing body or the public entity it governs maintains a website or social media page; and

(B)(i) The governing body shall furnish the most current agenda for a public meeting upon request and shall publish the most current agenda for a public meeting online if the governing body or the public entity it governs maintains a website or social media page at least three (3) days before a regular public meeting and at least two (2) hours before an emergency or special public meeting.

(ii) The requirement of subdivision (b)(3)(B)(i) of this section does not preclude a governing body from adding items to an agenda after the agenda has been furnished or posted under subdivision (b)(3)(B)(i) of this section.

(c)(1)~~(A) Except as provided under subdivision (c)(6) of this section, an~~ An executive session ~~will~~ shall be permitted only for the purpose of:

(A)(i) ~~considering~~ Considering the employment, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of any public officer or employee.

~~(B)~~(ii) ~~The specific purpose of the executive session shall be announced in public before~~ Before going into an executive session called under subdivision (c)(1)(A)(i) of this section, a governing body shall state publicly which specific purpose listed in subdivision (c)(1)(A)(i) of this section is the basis for the executive session.

~~(2)(A)~~(iii) Only the person holding the top administrative position in the public agency, department, or office involved, the immediate supervisor of the employee involved, and the employee may be present at the executive session when so requested by the governing body~~, board, commission, or other public body~~ holding the executive session.

~~(B)~~(iv) Any person being interviewed for the top administrative position in the public agency, department, or office involved may be present at the executive session when so requested by the governing ~~board, commission, or other public~~ body holding the executive session.~~.~~;

(B) Discussing how a governing body will respond to an attack on or other breach of the cybersecurity of the public entity governed by the governing body;

(C)(i) A board or commission of the state preparing examination materials and answers to examination materials that are administered to applicants for licensure from a state agency.

(ii) Boards and commissions are excluded from this chapter for the administering of examinations to applicants for licensure; and

(D) A governing body considering, evaluating, or discussing matters pertaining to a public water system's security or municipally owned utility system's security as described in § 25-19-105(b)(17).

~~(3)~~(2) Executive sessions ~~must never~~ shall not be called for the purpose of defeating the reason or the spirit of this chapter.

~~(4) No resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation, or motion considered or arrived at in executive session will be legal unless, following the executive session, the public body reconvenes in public session and presents and votes on the resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation, or motion.~~

~~(5)(A) Boards and commissions of this state may meet in executive session for purposes of preparing examination materials and answers to examination materials that are administered to applicants for licensure from state agencies.~~

~~(B) Boards and commissions are excluded from this chapter for the administering of examinations to applicants for licensure.~~

~~(6) Subject to the provisions of subdivision (c)(4) of this section, a public agency may meet in executive session for the purpose of considering, evaluating, or discussing matters pertaining to public water system security or municipally owned utility system security as described in § 25-19-105(b)(17).~~

~~(7) An executive session held by the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee under § 10-3-3201 et seq. is exempt from this section.~~

(d)(1) ~~All officially scheduled, special, and called open public meetings~~ Except as provided under subdivision (d)(5) of this section, a public meeting shall be recorded in a manner that allows for the capture of sound, including without limitation:

(A) A sound-only recording;

(B) A video recording with sound and picture; or

(C) A digital or analog broadcast capable of being recorded.

(2) If a member of a governing body attends a public meeting remotely, the remote portion of the public meeting that is recorded under subdivision (d)(1) of this section shall be recorded in the format in which it is conducted.

(3) A recording of ~~an open~~ a public meeting under subdivision (d)(1) or subdivision (d)(2) of this section shall be maintained by a public entity for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of the ~~open~~ public meeting.

~~(3)~~(4) The recording shall be maintained in a format that may be reproduced upon a request under this chapter.

~~(4)~~(5) ~~Subdivisions~~ Subdivision (d)(1) ~~and (2)~~ of this section ~~do~~ does not apply to:

(A) Executive sessions; or

(B) Volunteer fire departments.

~~(5) Cities of the second class and incorporated towns are exempt from subdivisions (d)(1) and (2) of this section until July 1, 2020.~~

(e)(1) A governing body shall ensure that Arkansas residents have reasonable access to attend a public meeting, including through remote means, if such remote means are utilized by the governing body.

(2) ~~If the Governor declares a disaster emergency under the Arkansas Emergency Services Act of 1973, § 12-75-101 et seq., a public entity may assemble, gather, meet, and conduct an open public meeting through electronic means, including without limitation by:~~

~~(A) Telephone;~~

~~(B) Video conference; or~~

~~(C) Video broadcast.~~ Except as provided under subdivisions (e)(3)-(5) of this section, a member of a governing body shall be physically present at a public meeting to be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum or to vote.

~~(2)~~(3) ~~If an open public meeting is held under subdivision (e)(1) of this section:~~ Other than governing bodies of municipalities, counties, or public school districts, a governing body may adopt a policy permitting members of the governing body to attend a public meeting remotely.

~~(A) The public may attend the open public meeting using electronic means; and~~

~~(B) Notice of the method the public may attend the open public meeting shall be published with the notice of the open public meeting.~~ (4) The ability of the governing body of a public school district to conduct a public meeting remotely shall be governed by § 6-13-619.

~~(3)~~(5) ~~Physical presence of the public or of an individual member of the public entity at the open public meeting is not required under this subsection.~~ If the Governor declares a disaster emergency under the Arkansas Emergency Services Act of 1973, § 12-75-101 et seq., a governing body may conduct a public meeting remotely.

~~(4)~~(6) ~~The open public meeting shall be recorded in the format in which it is conducted, including without limitation:~~

~~(A) A sound-only recording;~~

~~(B) A video recording with sound and picture; or~~

~~(C) A digital or analog broadcast capable of being recorded.~~ For a member of a governing body who attends a meeting remotely to be counted for a quorum or to vote, the method used to permit the member of the governing body to attend remotely shall:

(A) Provide a method for the governing body to verify the identity of the member of the governing body attending remotely;

(B) Allow other members of the governing body and members of the public, whether physically present at the public meeting or attending the public meeting remotely, at all times to:

(i) Hear the member of the governing body attending remotely;

(ii) Observe or otherwise understand a vote of a member of the governing body attending remotely; and

(iii) Know the identity of the member of the governing body attending remotely when that member is speaking or voting; and

(C) Allow a member of the governing body attending remotely to hear the other members of the governing body and any public comment.

~~(5)~~(7) ~~A public entity shall maintain the records of an open public meeting held under this subsection for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of the open public meeting.~~ A member of a governing body who attends a public meeting remotely shall not receive mileage or per diem for attending the public meeting.

(8) If one (1) or more members of a governing body attends a public meeting remotely:

(A) The governing body shall enable members of the public to attend the public meeting by the same means that the members of the governing body attending the public meeting remotely are attending the public meeting; and

(B) Notice of the method the public may attend the public meeting shall be published with the notice of the public meeting.

(f) A member of a governing body shall not participate in a communication, whether oral, written, electronic, or otherwise, that:

(1)(A) He or she knows or reasonably should know is a poll.

(B)(i) It is not a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if a secretary or administrative assistant of a governing body communicates in writing with one (1) or more members of the governing body for the purpose of conducting a ministerial act, including without limitation scheduling a public meeting of the governing body or setting the agenda for a public meeting of the governing body.

(ii) It is a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if a secretary or administrative assistant of a governing body communicates with one (1) or more members of the governing body to schedule a public meeting of the governing body or set the agenda for a public meeting of the governing body and the communication functionally conducts substantive business of the governing body concerning any matter on which official action would foreseeably be taken by the governing body.

(C)(i) It is not a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if an employee or an agent of a public entity communicates background and nondecisional information to one (1) or more members of the governing body of the public entity.

(ii) Except as provided in subdivision (f)(1)(B)(i) of this section, it is a violation of subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section if an employee or agent of a public entity communicates to a member of the governing body of the public entity:

(a) How another member of the governing body intends to vote; or

(b) Whether another member of the governing body supports or opposes a certain proposed action by the governing body; or

(2)(A) Occurs outside of a public meeting with another member of the

governing body about a matter on which official action will foreseeably be taken by the governing body.

(B) It is not a violation of subdivision (f)(2)(A) of this section if a member of a governing body communicates background and nondecisional information to one (1) or more members of the same governing body.

(C) It is a violation of subdivision (f)(2)(A) of this section if a member of a governing body engages in any communication with one (1) or more members of the same governing body that constitutes deliberation, as deliberation may only occur at a public meeting of the governing body.

(g) An informal meeting that includes deliberation or that is for the purpose of exercising a responsibility, authority, power, or duty of a governing body is strictly prohibited.

(h) Two (2) or more employees or agents of a public entity may communicate for the purpose of exercising an authorized responsibility, authority, power, or duty of an employee or agent of the public entity outside of a public meeting.

(i)(1) If a circuit court finds under § 25-19-107 that a governing body is in violation of this section, the circuit court may invalidate any action the governing body took at the unlawful public meeting.

(2) If a circuit court finds under § 25-19-107 that a member of a governing body engaged in a communication prohibited under subsection (f) of this section or in an informal meeting prohibited under subsection (g) of this section, the circuit court may invalidate any action the governing body took that is the direct or indirect result of the prohibited communication or informal meeting.

(3) An action taken in an executive session is void unless the governing body conducts a public vote on the matter discussed in the executive session at the conclusion of the executive session."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 246 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 246

Amend Senate Bill No. 246 as engrossed S3/6/25:

Page 36, delete lines 25 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(a) A public school district or an open-enrollment public charter school shall not grant excused absences for purposes of political protest.

(b) A public school district or an open-enrollment public charter school may grant an excused absence for the following purposes with written consent of a parent, legal guardian, or person standing in loco parentis to the student:

(1) Social or public policy advocacy; or

(2) Attempts to influence legislation or other governmental policy-making at the local, state, or federal level.

(c) This section does not prohibit students from attending curricular or cocurricular activities approved by the public school district or open-enrollment public charter school for credit.

(d) A public school district or an open-enrollment public charter school that grants excused or unexcused absences under subsections (a) or (b) of this section shall provide a report by June 30 each year to the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education that contains the following:

(1) The number of absences requested under this section;

(2) The number of absences granted under this section; and

(3) The stated purposes of the absence."

AND

Page 37, delete lines 1 through 5

AND

Page 117, delete lines 14 and 15, and substitute the following:
"6-16-1202."

AND

Page 117, line 17, delete "or through virtual means"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 246 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 305 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 305

Amend Senate Bill No. 305 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 10, and substitute the following:

"(5) Concentrations of tetrahydrocannabinol and cannabidiol.

(d) This section does not authorize or prohibit any specific product including without limitation prerolls, blunts, or any other ready-made inhalables."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.305 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 319 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 319

Amend Senate Bill No. 319 as originally introduced:

Page 3, delete lines 3 through 12, and substitute the following:

"(d) This section:

(1)~~(A)~~ Is specific to a lien created by a charging order; or

(2) Shall not:

(A) Apply to a creditor's secured lien created under the Uniform Commercial Code; or

(B) ~~operate~~ Operate to invalidate any provision of any written agreement between a member and a creditor, including without limitation a security agreement, assignment, pledge, hypothecation, or other instrument giving the creditor a security interest in, or assignment of, the transferable interest, where at the time the written agreement, security agreement, assignment, or other instrument was executed by the member and the creditor, the member's executing such written agreement, security agreement, assignment, or other instrument did not violate a provision of the limited liability company's certificate of organization or operating agreement."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 28 and 29, and substitute the following:

"~~(3) Does not deprive a member of the benefit of any exemption applicable to his or her interest.~~

(e) The entry of a charging order is the"

AND

Page 3, line 32, delete "interest." and substitute "interest."

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "(e)" and substitute "(f)"

AND

Page 4, line 1, delete "(f)" and substitute "(g)"

AND

Page 4, line 5, delete "(g)" and substitute "(h)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 319 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 325 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 325

Amend Senate Bill No. 325 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 13, delete "(b)~~(1)~~" and substitute "(b)(1)"

AND

Page 2, delete line 20, and substitute the following:
"~~section shall have the right to be heard at a hearing on the motion.~~

(2) The court may appoint an attorney to represent the parent subject to the resumption of services motion."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 24 through 27, and substitute the following:

"(b)(1) A petition to reinstate parental rights shall be filed in the circuit court that: ~~had~~

(A) Had jurisdiction over the petition to terminate the parental rights of the parent who is the subject of the petition to reinstate parental rights; or

(B) Has an open dependency-neglect case concerning the child subject to the petition for reinstatement of parental rights.

(2) If the petition under subdivision (b)(1) of this section is filed in the court with the pending dependency-neglect case, the court may communicate with the court that terminated the parent's parental rights."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 7 through 9, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) The Child Maltreatment Central Registry shall contain records of cases on all true investigative determinations of: ~~child maltreatment~~

(A) Abuse;

(B) Sexual abuse;

(C) Sexual exploitation; and

(D) Neglect, if the neglect is an act or omission by a:

(i) Teacher;

(ii) Teacher's aide;

(iii) Substitute teacher;

(iv) School principal;

(v) Employee of a child welfare agency;

(vi) Foster parent;

(vii) Employee of a juvenile detention facility;

(viii) Employee of a psychiatric residential treatment facility;

(ix) Employee of a hospital;

(x) Nurse;

(xi) Nurse's aide;

(xii) Licensed social worker;

(xiii) Doctor;

(xiv) Therapist; or

(ix) Any individual who works directly with a vulnerable population in a professional or caretaking capacity.

(2) For an act or omission constituting neglect to be included in the registry, the subject of the neglect must have been a child for whom the offender was in a caretaker role or standing in loco parentis to due to employment in one (1) or more of the roles listed in subdivision (a)(1)(D) of this section.

(3) Neglect by a person in one (1) or more of the roles listed in subdivision (a)(1)(D) of this section shall not qualify for placement on the registry if the victim of the neglect is the biological or adopted child of the offender."

AND

Delete SECTION 5 in its entirety

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 325 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 326 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 326

Amend Senate Bill No. 326 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 6, delete "family," and substitute "family for a single act,"

AND

Page 3, line 36, delete "a pattern of"

AND

Page 5, line 1, delete "custodian," and substitute "custodian, relative,"

AND

Page 5, line 7, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 8, line 8, delete "foster parent,"

AND

Page 8, line 29, delete "After" and substitute "As a part of"

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 326 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15

Amend Senate Joint Resolution 15 as originally introduced:

Delete SECTION 4 of the joint resolution
AND

Page 4, delete lines 24 through 27, and substitute the following:
"purpose; and

(H) Environmental mitigation or reclamation."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the joint resolution

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Joint Resolution No. 17 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 17 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17

Amend Senate Joint Resolution No. 17 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 12, and substitute the following:

"AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS; TO REQUIRE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO UTILIZE A BUDGETING PROCESS THAT PROHIBITS DEFICIT SPENDING; TO REQUIRE A VOTE OF AT LEAST THREE-FOURTHS OF EACH HOUSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT LEGISLATION THAT ESTABLISHES A NEW TAX OR FEE, INCREASES THE RATE OF A TAX OR FEE, EXTENDS AN EXPIRING TAX OR FEE, OR DIRECTLY CAUSES A GAIN TO THE STATE IN NET TAX REVENUE OR NET FEE REVENUE; TO LIMIT THE INCREASE IN EXPENDITURES OF NET GENERAL REVENUE AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION AS COMPARED TO THE EXPENDITURES IN THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR TO THE LOWER OF THREE PERCENT OR THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS OR ITS SUCCESSOR; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REFUNDING OF EXCESS NET GENERAL REVENUES TO TAXPAYERS."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 30 through 34, and substitute the following:

"(a) A budget prepared by the General Assembly for the state's fiscal year shall provide that the increase in expenditures of net general revenue available for distribution is no greater than the following, whichever is lower, as compared to the expenditures of net general revenue available for distribution in the preceding fiscal year:

(1) Three percent (3%); or

(2) The percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers or its successor, as published by the United States Department of Labor or its successor, for the immediately preceding year."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 29 and 30, and substitute the following:

"fiscal year and refunded to taxpayers during the next fiscal year."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:

"amendment, including without limitation laws concerning refunds to taxpayers authorized under § 6 of this amendment."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 17 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1271 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1347 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1347

Amend House Bill No. 1347 as engrossed H2/24/25:

Add Senator K. Hammer

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1347 was ordered engrossed.

Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 1347 was withdrawn.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1348 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1348

Amend House Bill No. 1348 as originally introduced:

Add Senator K. Hammer

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1348 was ordered engrossed.

Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 1348 was withdrawn.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1479 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendments No. 1 and No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1479

Amend House Bill No. 1479 as originally introduced:

Add Senator C. Penzo as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1479

Amend House Bill No. 1479 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 27 through 29, and substitute the following:

"(5) Licensed engineer or surveyor who prepared the original survey, plat, replat, lot split, boundary line adjustment, or other instrument that affects or is related to the title to the real property; or"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1479 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1614 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1614

Amend House Bill No. 1614 as originally introduced:

Add Senator A. Clark as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 4, line 3, delete "quarterly" and substitute "annually"

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1614 was ordered engrossed.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 282 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 282
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO. B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS; TO ALLOW VOTERS TO ELECT "FOR" OR "AGAINST" WATER FLUORIDATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 282 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 16

NEGATIVE: English, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Johnson, B.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd, Davis, Dismang, Gilmore, Hammer, Johnson, M.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 282 failed be expunged.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 282 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 12, 2025.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 302 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 302

As Engrossed: S3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF GIFT CARD FRAUD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 302 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 302. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 302, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 302 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 307 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 307

As Engrossed: S3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, M. MCKEE, J. BOYD, S. FLOWERS, R. MURDOCK, B. JOHNSON, B. DAVIS, HESTER, GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EAVES, *ACHOR, ET AL.*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC UTILITIES; TO CREATE THE GENERATING ARKANSAS JOBS ACT OF 2025; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 307 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke against the bill.

Senator Wallace spoke for the bill.

Senator Dismang closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Tucker.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 307, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Tucker.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

The record pertaining to the vote by which the Emergency Clause on Senate Bill No. 307 failed to pass was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 12, 2025.

Senate Bill No. 307 was transmitted to the House. Emergency Clause failed of adoption.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 314 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 314
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, J. ENGLISH, B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUKE, ET AL.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SEXUAL SOLICITATION; TO AMEND THE PENALTIES FOR THE OFFENSE OF SEXUAL SOLICITATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 314 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 314. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 314 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 323 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 323

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HORIZONTAL PROPERTY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 323 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 323. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 323 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 340 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 340
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN FEES, EXPENSES, AND COSTS IMPOSED ON A JUVENILE OR THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN OF A JUVENILE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 340 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 340. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer , Hester, Hickey , Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, Flowers, Irvin.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.340 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Dismang moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the Emergency Clause on Senate Bill No. 307 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 307, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on the Emergency Clause on the Emergency Clause for Senate Bill No. 307.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 27

NEGATIVE: Scott.
Total 1
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, King, Tucker.
Total 3
EXCUSED:
Total 0
VOTING PRESENT: Irvin, Johnson, M., Love, C. Penzo.
Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 307 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 361 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 361
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES EXPANSION ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES TO SECURE AND DEVELOP INDUSTRY AND FOSTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S ABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY COMPETE, WIN, AND DEVELOP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS; TO INCREASE JOB CREATION AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 361 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 361.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dotson, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.361 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 366 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 366
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE STRENGTHEN ARKANSAS HOMES ACT; TO CREATE THE STRENGTHEN ARKANSAS HOMES PROGRAM FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 366 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator Boyd closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Hickey, Hill, King, C. Penzo, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Love.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Murdock, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 366 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 375 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 375
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS STONE, M. MCKEE, J. BRYANT, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HESTER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, J. PAYTON, J. PETTY, RICE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF CAPITAL RAPE; TO AMEND A PORTION OF ARKANSAS CODE WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 3 OF 1936; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 375 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 26

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.375 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 401 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 401

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 401 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 401. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 401 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1298 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1298

As Engrossed: H2/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY PAYMENT OF BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS UNDER A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1298 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1298. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1298 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1460 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1460
As Engrossed: H2/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPOINTMENTS TO CERTAIN BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COUNCILS BASED ON CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1460 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1460. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1460 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1474 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1474

As Engrossed: H2/18/25 H2/24/25 S3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES JOEY CARR, *LUNDSTRUM*

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO REQUIRE THE DISPLAY OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Wallace requested that House Bill No. 1474 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1474 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1503 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1503

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, *PAINTER, GONZALES, B. MCKENZIE, J. RICHARDSON*

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON THE REGULATION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1503 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: English, Hill.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dismang, Hickey, King.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1503 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1510 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1510
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF MUNICIPALITIES; TO REPEAL THE AUTHORITY FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO EXERCISE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OVER AN UNINCORPORATED AREA OF A COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1510 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: English, Flowers, Leding, Love, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Clark, Hickey, Murdock, Scott.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Hammer.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1510 was returned to the House as passed.

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STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

Senator Tyler Dees
35th District
2584 North Hico Street
Siloam Springs, Arkansas 72761

March 12, 2025

Ms. Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol Building, Room 320
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

This letter serves as written notification the I was incorrectly recorded as voting yes on House Bill No. 1510. I would like the record to reflect that I was a non-vote on the bill. Please file this letter in the official Senate Journal of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Tyler Dees
State Senator
District 35

TD/ac

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1516 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1516

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXAMINATIONS AND FINDINGS RELATED TO THE CONTROL OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION OF FINES FOR ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO FOREST RESOURCES; TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND; TO AUTHORIZE THE AWARD OF A PISTOL UPON THE DEATH OR RETIREMENT OF A DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1516 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1516. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1516 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1587 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1587

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO AMEND THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1587 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Irvin, King.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1587 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1600 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1600

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HOLIDAY COMPENSATION, ANNUAL VACATION LEAVE, AND SICK LEAVE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1600 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers , Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1600 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1607 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1607
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1607 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1607. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1607 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1527 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1527

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMISSIBLE INVESTMENTS A GUARDIAN OF THE ESTATE MAY MAKE ON BEHALF OF A WARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1527 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1527. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1527 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1634 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1634
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HAWK, ET AL
BY: SENATORS J. DISMANG, HESTER, J. BOYD, M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING RAFFLES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE CHARITABLE BINGO AND RAFFLES ENABLING ACT DOES NOT REGULATE CERTAIN RAFFLES CONDUCTED BY INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR AFFILIATED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS SPORTS RAFFLE ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO ADD THE ARKANSAS SPORTS RAFFLE ACT AS AN EXCEPTION TO VARIOUS PROHIBITED PRACTICES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1634 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson, Hill.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Hammer, Rice, Sullivan.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1634, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson, Hill.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flowers, Payton.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Hammer, Rice, Sullivan.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1634 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

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ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17. BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 17 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 227, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 246, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 305, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 319, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 325, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 326, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 12, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1347, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1348, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
HOUSE BILL NO.1479, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
HOUSE BILL NO.1614, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,
BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 442

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROVIDE FOR FORFEITURE OF ASSETS USED TO CONDUCT HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF HARBORING AN ENDANGERED RUNAWAY CHILD; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HUMAN TRAFFICKING COUNCIL SUPPORT FUND; TO AMEND THE FINE PAYMENTS FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSES AND PROSTITUTION OFFENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 442 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 443
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF APPRAISERS, ABSTRACTERS, AND HOME INSPECTORS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LICENSURE OF ABSTRACTERS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LICENSURE OF HOME INSPECTORS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 443 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 444
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAL ETHICS AND DIVERSITY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 444 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

2024

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1103
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1103 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1218
As Engrossed: H3/4/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, ET AL
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE LICENSURE FOR THERAPEUTIC RECREATION SPECIALISTS; TO CREATE THE THERAPEUTIC RECREATION PRACTICE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1218 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1275

As Engrossed: H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES PROVIDED FOR TREATMENT OF A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1275 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1451

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS CONCURRENT CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A STUDENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONCURRENT CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1451 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1546
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 49 of 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1546 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1612
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1612 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1613
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1613 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1616
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - OIL AND GAS COMMISSION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1616 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1617
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1617 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1629
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PERMIT A RETIRING PROSECUTING ATTORNEY TO BE AWARDED HIS OR HER SERVICE FIREARM UPON RETIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1629 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1633

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, ET AL

BY: SENATORS HESTER, J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR HOMESCHOOLED STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES THAT ARE ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS; TO AMEND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS WHO TRANSFER SCHOOLS UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT TO PARTICIPATE IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES; TO AMEND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS WHO TRANSFER SCHOOLS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015 TO PARTICIPATE IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1633 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1654

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOSH, MCGRUDER

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE ACT OF 2005; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION OF THE MID SOUTH; TO ADDRESS THE INVENTORY OF THE MID-SOUTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATION SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1654 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1682
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PURYEAR, ET AL
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE GOOD NEIGHBOR ACT; TO CLARIFY FOOD DONATION LIABILITY AND IMMUNITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1682 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1689
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, EUBANKS
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL TO GRANT ACCESS TO ITS FACILITIES TO OFFICIAL RECRUITING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MILITARY; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN STATE-SUPPORTED POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS TO GRANT ACCESS TO ITS FACILITIES TO OFFICIAL RECRUITING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MILITARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1689 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 445

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSURE OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 445 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 was returned from the House as concurred in and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 101 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 200 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 263 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 298 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 300 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 301 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 334 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 335 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 337 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor
March 12, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on March 12, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 236 - ACT 261
Senate Bill No. 292 - ACT 264
Senate Bill No. 119 - ACT 269
Senate Bill No. 188 - ACT 272
Senate Bill No. 209 - ACT 273
Senate Bill No. 210 - ACT 274
Senate Bill No. 244 - ACT 275
Senate Bill No. 251 - ACT 276
Senate Bill No. 260 - ACT 277
Senate Bill No. 272 - ACT 278
Senate Bill No. 291 - ACT 279
Senate Bill No. 294 - ACT 280
Senate Bill No. 295 - ACT 281
Senate Bill No. 296 - ACT 282
Senate Bill No. 297 - ACT 283
Senate Bill No.308 - ACT 284
Senate Bill No. 224 - ACT 290
Senate Bill No. 249 - ACT 291
Senate Bill No. 250 - ACT 292
Senate Bill No. 259 - ACT 293
Senate Bill No. 265 - ACT 294
Senate Bill No. 267 - ACT 295

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

SENATE BILL NO. 446
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READER SYSTEM ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS BY PRIVATE LANDOWNERS, PRIVATE LEASEHOLDER, AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 446 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 447
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REQUIRE PERMITTED COMMON CARRIERS TO SUBMIT REPORTS DETAILING SHIPMENTS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INTO THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 447 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 448
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE JOBS, RETAIN WEALTH, AND GROW ARKANSAS'S ECONOMY BY ENABLING PROPERTY ASSESSED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FINANCING; TO AMEND THE PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ACT; TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, ALTERNATIVE ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS, BUILDING RESILIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, AND WATER CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 448 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 314
SENATE BILL NO. 323
SENATE BILL NO. 340
SENATE BILL NO. 361
SENATE BILL NO. 366
SENATE BILL NO. 375
SENATE BILL NO. 401

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 302
SENATE BILL NO. 307

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 101
SENATE BILL NO. 200
SENATE BILL NO. 263
SENATE BILL NO. 298
SENATE BILL NO. 300

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 301
SENATE BILL NO. 334
SENATE BILL NO. 335
SENATE BILL NO. 337

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS CONCURRED IN

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1218
HOUSE BILL NO. 1275
HOUSE BILL NO. 1451
HOUSE BILL NO. 1629
HOUSE BILL NO. 1654
HOUSE BILL NO. 1682
HOUSE BILL NO. 1689

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1103
HOUSE BILL NO. 1546
HOUSE BILL NO. 1612
HOUSE BILL NO. 1613
HOUSE BILL NO. 1616
HOUSE BILL NO. 1617
HOUSE BILL NO. 1633

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1298
HOUSE BILL NO. 1460
HOUSE BILL NO. 1503
HOUSE BILL NO. 1510
HOUSE BILL NO. 1516
HOUSE BILL NO. 1527
HOUSE BILL NO. 1587
HOUSE BILL NO. 1600
HOUSE BILL NO. 1607

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1634

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 13, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SIXTIETH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 13, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Stubblefield.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1271 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1271

Amend House Bill No. 1271 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 28 and 29, and substitute the following:
"were furnished ~~in preference~~ subject to any encumbrance existing on the real estate prior to the commencement of construction or repair of the improvement."

AND

Page 1, line 33, delete "(ii)" and substitute "(ii)(a)"

AND

Page 1, line 36, delete "appraiser, surveyor" and substitute "appraiser, architect, surveyor"

AND

Page 2, delete line 6, and substitute the following:
"instrument that provides a security interest.

(b) When a mortgage or other security interest for the purpose of funding construction or repair of the improvement will encumber property on which a residential structure that is a single one-to-four family unit is located or will be constructed, the person who made the affidavit described in subdivision (b)(1)(B)(ii)(a) of this section may be an employee or designee of the lender or licensed title agent."

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "appraiser, surveyor" and substitute "appraiser, architect, surveyor"

AND

Page 2, line 21, delete "Except as provided in subsection" and substitute "Notwithstanding subsection"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1271 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 101, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 200, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 263, SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 298, BY SENATOR TERRY RICE,
SENATE BILL NO. 300, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 301, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 334, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 335, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 337, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4,
BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 8:03 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 101
SENATE BILL NO. 200
SENATE BILL NO. 263
SENATE BILL NO.298
SENATE BILL NO. 300
SENATE BILL NO. 301
SENATE BILL NO. 334
SENATE BILL NO. 335
SENATE BILL NO. 337
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this thirteenth day of March, 2025 at 8:20 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1271, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1271 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 368, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 407, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1385, BY REPRESENTATIVE COOPER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 271, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 424, BY SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 322, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 104, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 405, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 432, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1367, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1517, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1583, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1595, REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1620, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1488, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 38, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 42, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 353, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 357, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 409, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 414, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1548, BY REPRESENTATIVE MEEKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 449
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY FOR CONFISCATION OF ALTERNATIVE NICOTINE PRODUCTS, VAPOR PRODUCTS, E-LIQUID PRODUCTS, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND CIGARETTE PAPERS FROM A MINOR AT A SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 449 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 450
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH, IRVIN, HESTER, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, FLIPPO, B. JOHNSON, HILL, M. MCKEE, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, VAUGHT, BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE A HUMAN FETAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION IN THE RELEVANT STANDARDS DURING THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC STANDARDS REVISION CYCLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 450 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 451

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE TEAMS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS PLACED IN JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 451 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 452

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN CONTRACTS FOR MAINTENANCE OR RECYCLING OF WIND TURBINES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 452 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 453
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; TO TRANSFER CERTAIN DUTIES TO THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT PROCESS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN POSITIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FROM BEING FILLED AND TO ELIMINATE THOSE POSITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 453 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 454
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING UNCLAIMED PROPERTY FUNDS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY FUNDS; TO CREATE THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY INTEREST TRUST FUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 454 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Murdock, Senate Resolution No. 38 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 38
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR R. MURDOCK

A SENATE RESOLUTION: TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 13, 2025, AS IOTA PHI THETA FRATERNITY, INC., DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 38 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 222 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 222

Amend Senate Bill No. 222 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 15, and substitute the following:

"(d) A direct service provider shall comply with the provisions applicable to providers in the federal managed care rule on marketing activities at 42 C.F.R. § 438.104, as existing on January 1, 2025.

(e) The department shall revise the marketing rules to comply with"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 222, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Davis, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 222 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 222

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, B. JOHNSON, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE, G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO CLARIFY MARKETING BY PROVIDERS UNDER THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 222 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 222. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 222, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 222 was ordered enrolled.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

Recall Letter for House Bill No. 1365

March 13, 2025

The Honorable Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of Senate
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The House of Representatives respectfully requests the return to the House, House Bill No. 1365.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SHERRI STACKS, CHIEF CLERK
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House Bill No. 1365 was ordered immediately returned to the House as requested.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 283 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 283

Amend Senate Bill No. 283 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:

"(b)(1) A nonprofit organization that has an annual revenue of less than five million dollars ($5,000,000) shall pay, deliver, or cause to be paid or delivered to the administrator property that has been unclaimed for one (1) year.

(2) The administrator shall have two (2) years to locate the apparent owner of the property described under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

(3) If the property remains unclaimed after the period described under subdivision (b)(2) of this section, the property is presumed abandoned and the administrator shall pay, deliver, or cause to be paid or delivered the unclaimed property to the nonprofit organization."

AND

Page 2, delete line 1

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 283 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 342 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 342

Amend Senate Bill No. 342 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Gonzales

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 342 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 403 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 403

Amend Senate Bill No. 403 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Crowell as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 403 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 394 at this time.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 394 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 394

Amend Senate Bill No. 394 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 11, delete "(2)(A)" and substitute "(2)(A)(i)"

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "or a change" and substitute "or, if the requirement of subdivision (c)(2)(A)(ii) of this section is met, a change"

AND

Page 2, delete line 17, and substitute the following:
"county.

(ii) The quorum court of a county may refer to the vote of the people a change in the allocation or distribution of revenues among the county and the municipalities within the county only if the population of the largest municipality in the county exceeds the population of the unincorporated areas of the county, according to the most recent federal decennial census."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 394 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 258 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 258 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 258

Amend Senate Bill No.258 as engrossed S2/27/25:

Page 2, line 7, delete "(4)(A)" and substitute "(4)"

AND

Page 2, line 11, delete "world." and substitute "world;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 12 through 14

AND

Page 2, delete line 28, and substitute the following:
"activities to entities around the world.

(E) Participation in modern society necessitates the adoption of

technology, and Arkansans who fail to embrace technological advancements face significant competitive disadvantages in education, employment, healthcare access, and economic opportunity;"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 3 through 15, and substitute the following:

"(2) "Authenticate" means to verify through reasonable means that"

AND

Page 4, line 19, delete "(5)(A)" and substitute "(3)(A)"

AND

Page 4, line 30, delete "(6)" and substitute "(4)"

AND

Page 4, line 33, delete "(7)" and substitute "(5)"

AND

Page 4, line 35, delete "(8)(A)" and substitute "(6)(A)"

AND

Page 5, line 13, delete "(9)(A)" and substitute "(7)(A)"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 17 through 30, and substitute the following:

"(8) "Consumer health data" means any personal data that a controller uses to identify a consumer's physical or mental health condition or diagnosis;

(9) "Control" means:

(A) The ownership of, or power to vote, more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding shares of any class of voting security of a company;

(B) The control in any manner over the election of a majority of the directors or of individuals exercising similar functions; or

(C) The power to exercise controlling influence over"

AND

Page 5, line 32, delete "(12)" and substitute "(10)"

AND

Page 5, line 35, delete "(13)" and substitute "(11)"

AND

Page 6, line 2, delete "(14)(A)" and substitute "(12)(A)"

AND

Page 6, line 7, delete "(15)" and substitute "(13)"

AND

Page 6, line 16, delete "(16)" and substitute "(14)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 19 through 28, and substitute the following:

"(15)(A) "Health record" means a written, printed, or"

AND

Page 7, line 3, delete "(22)" and substitute "(16)"

AND

Page 7, line 6, delete "(23)" and substitute "(17)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 8 through 36

AND

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 30, and substitute the following:

"(18) "Identified" means a consumer who can be readily identified, directly or indirectly;

(19) "Institution of higher education" means:

(A) A vocational or technical school governed by Arkansas Code Title 6, Subtitle 4; or

(B) A postsecondary or higher education institution governed by Arkansas Code Title 6, Subtitle 5;

(20) "Known child" means a child under circumstances where a controller has actual knowledge of, or willfully disregards, the child's age;

(21) "Nonprofit organization" means:"

AND

Page 9, line 2, delete "(30)(A)" and substitute "(22)(A)"

AND

Page 9, line 11, delete "(31)" and substitute "(23)"

AND

Page 9, line 22, delete "(32)(A)" and substitute "(24)(A)"

AND

Page 9, line 31, delete "(33)" and substitute "(25)"

AND

Page 9, line 35, delete "(34)" and substitute "(26)"

AND

Page 10, line 1, delete "(35)" and substitute "(27)"

AND

Page 10, line 6, delete "(36)" and substitute "(28)"

AND

Page 10, line 9, delete "(37)" and substitute "(29)"

AND

Page 10, line 15, delete "(38)" and substitute "(30)"

AND

Page 10, line 21, delete "(39)(A)" and substitute "(31)(A)"

AND

Page 11, line 4, delete "(40)(A)" and substitute "(32)(A)"

AND

Page 11, line 20, delete "or"

AND

Page 11, delete lines 25 and 26, and substitute the following:
"account; or

(ix) Consumer health data;

(33) "State agency" means a department, commission, board,"

AND

Page 11, delete lines 31 through 33, and substitute the following:
"directors appointed by the Governor;

(34) "Substantial factor" means a factor that:"

AND

Page 12, line 7, delete "(43)(A)" and substitute "(35)(A)"

AND

Page 12, line 22, delete "(44)" and substitute "(36)"

AND

Page 12, line 25, delete "(45)" and substitute "(37)"

AND

Page 13, delete lines 15 through 24

AND

Page 13, delete line 27, and substitute the following:
"This chapter does not"

AND

Page 13, delete lines 30 and 31, and substitute the following:

"(2) A financial institution, affiliates of financial institutions, or data subject to Title V, Gramm-"

AND

Page 15, delete lines 32 and 33, and substitute the following:

"data is collected and used within the context of that role;"

AND

Page 17, line 18, delete "person," and substitute "person or entity,"

AND

Page 20, line 36, delete "manner;" and substitute "manner or comply with the controller's reasonable requirements for submitting requests;"

AND

Page 23, line 35, delete "process." and substitute "processing."

AND

Page 24, delete lines 10 through 17, and substitute the following:

"(1) The consent of the individual consumer;

(2) A contract that requires the processing of personal data;

(3) A legal obligation to process the personal data; or

(4) An overriding necessity to process the personal data of a"

AND

Page 27, delete lines 7 through 13

AND

Page 27, line 15, delete "4-120-308" and substitute "4-120-307"

AND

Page 28, line 29, delete "4-120-309" and substitute "4-120-308"

AND

Page 28, line 36, delete "4-120-310" and substitute "4-120-309"

AND

Page 29, line 25, delete "§ 4-120-308" and substitute "§ 4-120-307"

AND

Page 30, delete lines 34 through 36

AND

Page 31, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 32, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 33, delete lines 1 through 36, and substitute the following:
"Subchapter 5. [Reserved.]
Subchapter 6. [Reserved.]"

AND

Page 34, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 35, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 36, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 37, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 38, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 39, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 40, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 41, delete lines 1 through 28

AND

Page 42, delete lines 5 through 8, and substitute the following:
"chapter; and

(C) A consumer's rights under this chapter; and"

AND

Page 42, line 21, delete "or"

AND

Page 42, line 22, delete "artificial intelligence impact assessment"

AND

Page 42, delete lines 25 through 27, and substitute the following:
"assessment for compliance with the requirements under § 4-120-307."

AND

Page 43, delete lines 5 through 9, and substitute the following:
"(b) To the extent § 4-120-701 et seq. applies to the enforcement of § 4-120-101 et seq. — § 4-120-401 et seq., it is effective on April 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 258 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1552 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1552

Amend House Bill No. 1552 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Gilmore

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1552 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1597 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1597

Amend House Bill No.1597 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-42-106(b), concerning oaths required for elected or appointed municipal officers, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(2) of this section, the officers shall take their oaths before:

(A) The Secretary of State or his or her official designee;

(B) A justice or judge~~;~~ of the:

(i) Supreme Court;

(ii) Court of Appeals;

(iii) Circuit court, including any former circuit or chancery judge who served for at least four (4) years; or

(iv) District court, including any former municipal or district judge who served for at least four (4) years;

(C) A judge of the county court;

(D) A federal justice or judge of the:

(i) United States Supreme Court;

(ii) United States Court of Appeals; or

(iii) United States District Court;

(E) A clerk of the:

(i) County court;

(ii) Circuit court; or

(iii) City of the first class;

~~(E)~~(F) A recorder of:

(i) A city of the second class; or

(ii) An incorporated town; or

~~(F)~~(G) A justice of the peace.

(2) The council members also may take their oaths before the mayor of the municipality.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 21-2-105(a), concerning who may administer an oath of office, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) The Governor shall take the oath of office before:

(A) A justice or judge of the:

(i) Supreme Court;

(ii) Court of Appeals;

(iii) Circuit court; or

(iv) District court;

(B) A federal justice or judge of the:

(i) United States Supreme Court;

(ii) United States Court of Appeals; or

(iii) United States District Court;

(C) The county clerk; or

~~(C)~~(D) The clerk of the circuit court.

(2) The justices of the Supreme Court, judges of the Court of Appeals, judges of the circuit courts, judges of the district court, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, and Auditor of State shall take their oaths before:

(A) The Governor;

(B) A justice or judge of the:

(i) Supreme Court;

(ii) Court of Appeals;

(iii) Circuit court, including any former circuit or chancery judge who served for at least four (4) years; or

(iv) District court, including any former municipal or

district judge who served for at least four (4) years;

(C) A federal justice or judge of the:

(i) United States Supreme Court;

(ii) United States Court of Appeals; or

(iii) United States District Court;

(D) The clerk of the county court; or

~~(D)~~(E) The clerk of the circuit court.

(3) All other officers, both civil and military, shall take their oaths before:

(A) The Secretary of State or his or her official designee;

(B) A justice or judge of the:

(i) Supreme Court;

(ii) Court of Appeals;

(iii) Circuit court, including any former circuit or chancery judge who served for at least four (4) years;

(iv) District court, including any former municipal or district judge who served for at least four (4) years; or

(v) County court;

(C) A federal justice or judge of the:

(i) United States Supreme Court;

(ii) United States Court of Appeals; or

(iii) United States District Court;

(D) The clerk of the county court;

~~(D)~~(E) The clerk of the circuit court;

~~(E)~~(F) A justice of the peace;

~~(F)~~(G) A clerk of a city of the first class; or

~~(G)~~(H) A recorder of a city of the second class or incorporated town."

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1597 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1245

Amend House Bill No.1245 as engrossed S3/6/25:

Page 2, line 3, delete "of this subchapter" and substitute "of subsection (a) of this section"

AND

Page 2B, delete line 4 and 5, and substitute the following:
"to a fine of no less than five hundred dollars ($500) and no more than one thousand dollars ($1,000)."

AND

Page 2, line 8, delete "limitation revocation" and substitute "limitation a fine of no more than five thousand dollars ($5,000) and revocation"

AND

Page 2, line 11, delete "Each" and substitute "(a) Each"

AND

Page 2, delete line 14, and substitute the following:
"(2) An application fee that does not exceed two hundred dollars ($200);"

AND

Page 2, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"certified behavior analyst-doctoral.

(b) This section does not require additional training or continuing education with any state or national association."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 27 through 29, and substitute the following:

"(2) A renewal fee that does not exceed one hundred fifty dollars ($150); and

(3) Evidence of verification of current certification.

(c) This section does not require additional training or continuing education with any state or national association."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1245 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 227

As Engrossed: S2/ 20/5 S2/26/25 S3/3/25 S3/10/25 S3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, *B. DAVIS, J. BOYD, C. PENZO, G. STUBBLEFIELD, J. PETTY*

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967 CONCERNING PUBLIC MEETINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 227 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Clark, Payton.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dotson, McKee.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.227 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 246 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 246

As Engrossed: S3/6/25 S3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, *EVANS, BEATY, JR., BROOKS, EUBANKS, WARDLAW, BARKER, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, JOHN CARR, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, GRAMLICH, HAWK, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, S. MEEKS, NAZARENKO, ROSE, TORRES, WING, ACHOR, BECK, EAVES, UNGER, ANDREWS*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ACCESS ACT; TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE AS THEY RELATE TO EDUCATION IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 246 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Love spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 246 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 264 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 278 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 278
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE STATUTES CONCERNING THE OCCUPATIONAL AUTHORIZATION AND LICENSURE OF PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, EMPLOYMENT COUNSELORS, AND EMPLOYMENT AGENCY MANAGERS; TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY ACT OF 1975; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 278 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 278.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 278 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 279 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 279
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MINIMUM WAGE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO ASSIST THE DIVISION OF LABOR WITH ENFORCING THE FAIR AND PROMPT PAYMENT OF WAGES TO ARKANSAS CITIZENS; TO CLARIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH WAGE AND HOUR COMPLAINTS ARE INVESTIGATED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 279 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 279. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 279 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 305 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 305

As Engrossed: S3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN TESTING OF PROCESSED MARIJUANA PRODUCTS SOLD AS MEDICAL MARIJUANA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 305 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 305. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 305 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 319 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 319
As Engrossed: S3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; TO CLARIFY CHARGING ORDERS UNDER THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 319 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 319.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Hickey, Hill.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 319 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 321 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 321
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 321 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 321. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 321 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 352 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 352
As Engrossed: S3/11/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS STONE, GILMORE, *HESTER, B. JOHNSON, B. DAVIS, M. MCKEE, J. DOTSON, J. BOYD*
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ANTISEMITISM IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; TO PROHIBIT ANTISEMITISM IN STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 352 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke on the bill.
Senator Sullivan spoke for the bill.
Senator Clark spoke for the bill.
Senator Stone closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, M. Johnson, B. Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Tucker.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

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Senate Bill No. 352 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 364 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 364
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES RELATED TO CONTRACTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Hester requested that Senate Bill No. 364 be pulled down.

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On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 364 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

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On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 404 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 404
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOHN CARR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROBATE OF AN ESTATE IF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION HAS FILED A CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS AGAINST THE DECEDENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 404 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 404. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, English, Flowers, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 15

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Dismang, Flippo, Gilmore, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Hammer, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Rice, Sullivan.

Total 10

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

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Senator Dismang moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 404 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 404 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 13, 2025.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 413 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 413
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CERTIFICATION OF AN OATH FOR A SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 413 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 413. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

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Senate Bill No. 413 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 417 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 417
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND CERTAIN LAWS RELATED TO REPORTING AND SERVICES BY INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND LAWS RELATED TO CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, PERSONNEL, LAND, AND SERVICES OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 417 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 27

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Flippo, Flowers, King.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

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Senate Bill No. 417 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Crowell was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote:

SENATE BILL NO. 378
SENATE BILL NO. 379
SENATE BILL NO. 380
SENATE BILL NO. 381
SENATE BILL NO. 382
SENATE BILL NO. 383
SENATE BILL NO. 384
SENATE BILL NO. 385
SENATE BILL NO. 387
SENATE BILL NO. 388
SENATE BILL NO. 389

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 378 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 378
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION SUBMIT A QUARTERLY REPORT CONCERNING THE TRAINING ACTIVITIES OF THE ARKANSAS INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 378 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

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Senate Bill No. 378 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 379 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 379
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE TAX ADVISORY COUNCIL; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE TAX ADVISORY COUNCIL TO SUBMIT A REPORT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 379 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

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Senate Bill No. 379 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 380 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 380

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 380 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill , Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

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Senate Bill No. 380 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 381 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 381
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE MULTISTATE TAX COMMISSION AND ARKANSAS'S PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 381 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English , Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester , Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

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Senate Bill No. 381 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 382 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 382
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE CAPITAL ACCESS FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 382 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 382 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 383 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 383

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ANNUAL REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THE VENTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT ACT OF 2001; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 383 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 383 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 384 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 384
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY SUBMIT A PROGRAM FACT SHEET TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT FOR EACH NEW BOND ISSUE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 384 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 384 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 385 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 385
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE RURAL SERVICES DIVISION OF THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION SUBMIT A BIENNIAL REPORT CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE DIVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 385 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 385 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 387 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 387
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING ENTITIES; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING ENTITIES TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE AND EXPEDITED OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 387 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 387 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 388 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 388
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENT RELATED TO THE PROGRESS OF FOREIGN OFFICES OF THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 388 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 388 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 389 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 389

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT A REPORT CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 389 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.389 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1347 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1347

As Engrossed: H2/24/25 S3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANNUITIES AND BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT *SYSTEM; TO ALLOW THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO PAY AN ANNUITY OR BENEFIT OWED TO A PERSON TO A SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST ESTABLISHED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PERSON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1347 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1347. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1347 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1348 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1348
As Engrossed: S3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARREN, K. MOORE
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SURVIVOR BENEFITS FOR THE DEPENDENT CHILD OF A MEMBER OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR A MEMBER OF THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1348. Motion carried.

House Bill No. 1348 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B. Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1348, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B. Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1348 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1410 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1410

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNGER, LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES BY PUBLIC SERVANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1410 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1410. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1410 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1477 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1477
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARKER
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS TEACHER OF THE YEAR ACT; TO ALLOW THE GOVERNING BODY OF AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO SUBMIT AN APPLICANT FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE ARKANSAS TEACHER OF THE YEAR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1477 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1477. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1477 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1479 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1479
As Engrossed: S3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled:TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SCRIVENER'S AFFIDAVITS; TO ALLOW A LICENSED ENGINEER, SURVEYOR, OR NOTARY PUBLIC TO EXECUTE AND RECORD A SCRIVENER'S AFFIDAVIT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1479 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1479. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1479 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1496 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1496
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO ENSURE ARKANSAS STUDENTS ARE TAUGHT BY QUALIFIED TEACHERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1496 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill 1496. The motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total... 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Murdock.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1496 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1558 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1558

As Engrossed: S3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCGREW, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, BENTLEY, R. BURKES, DUFFIELD, FURMAN, LONG, MCCLURE, TORRES

BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS REAL ESTATE COMMISSION; TO CREATE A PROPERTY MANAGEMENT BROKER AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATE LICENSE; TO AMEND THE REAL ESTATE LICENSE LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1558 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1558. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Hester, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Crowell, Flippo, Love.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1558 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1608 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1608
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC RECORDS AND ARCHIVES; TO REQUIRE APPROVAL OF THE ARKANSAS STATE ARCHIVES PRIOR TO THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1608 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1608. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo , Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1608 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1614 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1614
As Engrossed: S3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DESIGNATIONS RELATED TO CERTAIN CRIMINAL JUSTICE GRANT PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1614 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1614. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English , Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1614 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 325 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 326 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 22 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 22

As Engrossed: S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 22 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 22. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 22, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 34

NEGATIVE:
Total 0
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.
Total 1
EXCUSED:
Total 0
VOTING PRESENT:
Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 22 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

Budget Batched Bills

HOUSE BILL NO. 1103

HOUSE BILL NO. 1546

HOUSE BILL NO. 1612

HOUSE BILL NO. 1613

HOUSE BILL NO. 1616

HOUSE BILL NO. 1617

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on the batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1103 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1103
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1103 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1103, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1103 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1546 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1546

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 49 of 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1546 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1546, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1546 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1612 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1612
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1612 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1612 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1612 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1613 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1613

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1613 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1613 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1613 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1616 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1616

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - OIL AND GAS COMMISSION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1616 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1616 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1616 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1617 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1617

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1617 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1617 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1617 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 283, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

SENATE BILL NO. 342, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

SENATE BILL NO. 403, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 394, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 394 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1552, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1597, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,
BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 44
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR D.J. DANIEL FOR HIS FIGHT AGAINST BRAIN CANCER AND SUPPORT NAMING HIM AN HONORARY STATE CAPITOL POLICE OFFICER, AND TO PROCLAIM MARCH 17, 2025, AS D.J. DANIEL DAY IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 44 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 455
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW REGULATION OF HEMP PRODUCTS BY ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL; TO AMEND THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN SUBSTANCES THAT ARE DEFINED AS HEMP PRODUCTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 455 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 456
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE HOME OPPORTUNITIES MADE EASIER ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 456 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 222, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 4:01 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 222

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this Thirteenth day of March, 2025 at 4:16 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 13, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 258, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 258 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

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NOTICE OF RETURN OF HOUSE BILL 1365 AS REQUESTED

March 13, 2025

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I am instructed by the Senate to inform Your Honorable Body of the return of House Bill No. 1365 by Representative K. Brown as requested, the same being a bill for an Act to be entitled:

AN ACT TO REMOVE RACIAL AND GENDER QUOTAS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP FOR CERTAIN BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COUNCILS, AND COMMISSIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, Director
Secretary of the Senate

SENATE BILL NO. 457
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELEASE FROM PAROLE OR POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION OF CERTAIN PERSONS WHO COMMITTED CRIMES WHEN THEY WERE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 457 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 458
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A COURT TO CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF FACTORS SUCH AS TRAUMA AND INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM ON A PERSON WHO COMMITTED A CRIME AS A MINOR DURING A TRANSFER OR SENTENCING HEARING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 458 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 459
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MINIMUM AGE NECESSARY TO ADJUDICATE A JUVENILE DELINQUENT; TO REQUIRE THAT A JUVENILE WHO IS NINE YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER AND CAUSES THE DEATH OF ANOTHER PERSON TO BE ADJUDICATED A JUVENILE IN A FAMILY IN NEED OF SERVICES MATTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 459 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 460
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL; TO REPEAL THE MARKETING RECYCLABLES PROGRAM OF THE COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 460 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1272
As Engrossed: H3/4/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROPERTY VACATED BY *A MUNICIPALITY*; TO REQUIRE VESTED ABANDONED PROPERTY BE CONVEYED WITH THE ABUTTING REAL ESTATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1272 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1274
As Engrossed: H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES; TO ALLOW A TITLE INSURANCE AGENT, TITLE INSURER, OR TITLE COMPANY TO PAY REAL PROPERTY TAXES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF A TITLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1274 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1288

As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H2/13/25 H2/20/25 H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO REQUIRE A HEALTHCARE INSURER TO MAKE CERTAIN RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS TO A PROVIDER UPON CREDENTIALING OF A PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1288 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1316

As Engrossed: H2/18/25 H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES F. ALLEN, *WOOTEN, J. RICHARDSON, K. FERGUSON*

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR LUNG CANCER SCREENINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1316 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1424

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR SEVERE OBESITY TREATMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1424 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1505

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WING, *BARKER, FURMAN, L. JOHNSON, MCALINDON, RYE BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. SCOTT*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED A TRAUMATIC EVENT; TO OFFER LICENSED COUNSELING TO PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED A TRAUMATIC EVENT; TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC EMPLOYER TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR LICENSED COUNSELING FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE WHO HAS EXPERIENCED A TRAUMATIC *EVENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY*!;^ AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1505 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1512

As Engrossed: H3/6/25 H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, *EVANS, ET AL*

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ACCESS ACT; TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE AS THEY RELATE TO EDUCATION IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1512 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1551

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL ABORTION; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF COERCED CRIMINAL ABORTION BY MEANS OF FRAUD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1551 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1606

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF CERTAIN VEHICLES ON PUBLIC ROADWAYS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A UTILITY TASK VEHICLE ON A PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY; TO ALLOW A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF A UTILITY TASK VEHICLE ON A DESIGNATED PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY WITHIN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION; TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR A UTILITY TASK VEHICLE OPERATING ON A PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1606 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1652

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOSH, *HOLLOWELL, LUNDSTRUM*

BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, HILL, IRVIN, C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITIES; TO ALLOW THE ENFORCEMENT OF AN UNSIGNED SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY RENTAL AGREEMENT; TO CREATE A PROCEDURE TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TERMINATION OF A SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY RENTAL AGREEMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1652 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1656
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BECK
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION; TO CLARIFY THE ALLOCATION OF PRODUCTION AND COST FOLLOWING INTEGRATION ORDER BY DEFINING "NET PROCEEDS"; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION BE INCLUDED IN AN ITEMIZED STATEMENT TO ROYALTY OWNERS; TO ADDRESS OBLIGATIONS OF OPERATORS AND WORKING INTEREST OWNERS TO MINERAL OWNERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1656 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1669
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE KEEP KIDS FIRST ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR PROTECTIONS FROM DISCRIMINATION FOR ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SINCERELY HELD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS; TO PROVIDE A VEHICLE FOR RECOVERY BY ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SINCERELY HELD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS WHEN CERTAIN DISCRIMINATORY ACTIONS ARE TAKEN AGAINST THE FAITH-BASED ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1669 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1700
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO EXCLUDE THE NAME OF A REVIEWING PHYSICIAN FROM DISCLOSURE IN AN ADVERSE DETERMINATION NOTICE UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1700 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1717
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, A. COLLINS, SPRINGER
BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN AND TEENS' ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1717 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1721
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING GREYHOUND RACING; TO AMEND SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO PROHIBIT GREYHOUND RACING AND SIMULCASTING OF GREYHOUND RACING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1721 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1725
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1725 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 227
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SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 22

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1272
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HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1505

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1410
HOUSE BILL NO. 1477
HOUSE BILL NO. 1496
HOUSE BILL NO. 1608

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1103
HOUSE BILL NO. 1546
HOUSE BILL NO. 1612
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1616
HOUSE BILL NO. 1617

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1347 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1479 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2
HOUSE BILL NO. 1558 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1614 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1348 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 17, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SIXTY-FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 17, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Crowell requested leave for Senator Dees. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Michael Lynn Proctor.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with..

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 287 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 287

Amend Senate Bill No. 287 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"benefits up to a maximum fee of five thousand dollars ($5,000)."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 287 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 406

Amend Senate Bill No. 406 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 1, delete "recorded" and substitute "recorded in accordance with the

requirements under § 21-6-306"

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "or"

AND

Page 2, delete line 17, and substitute the following:
"person affiliated with a title insurance agency; or

(E) The Commissioner of State Lands.

(3) An unredacted copy of a valid photo identification card or driver's license shall be filed by the recorder under seal."

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 406 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 420 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 420

Amend Senate Bill 420 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 13, delete "governmental authority," and substitute "governmental authority, investor-owned water or wastewater utility,"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 420 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 439

Amend Senate Bill 439 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 10 and 11, and substitute the following:
"DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1914; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:
"TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING; AND TO AMEND PORTIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1914."

AND

Page 28, delete line 24, and substitute the following:
"SECTION 62. Arkansas Code § 11-6-103, resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1914, is amended to read as follows:"

AND

Page 30, delete lines 13 through 15, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 63. Arkansas Code § 11-6-107(b)(1), resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1914, concerning prohibitions against certain kinds and places of work for children under sixteen years, is amended to read as follows:"

AND

Page 30, delete line 25, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 64. Arkansas Code § 11-6-111, resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1914, is amended to read as follows:"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1536 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1536

Amend House Bill 1536 as engrossed S3/11/25:

Page 1, line 30, delete "state transportation" and substitute "twenty-five percent (25%) of the state transportation"

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1536 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1633 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1633

Amend House Bill 1633 as engrossed H3/10/25:

Add Representative McGruder

AND

Page 5, line 18, delete "(5)(A)" and substitute "(5)"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 22 through 30

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1633 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 396 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 396 was withdrawn by the author.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 287, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
SENATE BILL NO. 406, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 420, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 439, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 287 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 420 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1536, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCELROY,
BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1633, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS, ET AL,
BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1536 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1633 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 391, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 402, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1398, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1601, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1689, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 367, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, MEMBER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1169, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1291, BY REPRESENTATIVE WING,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1575, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1586, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1643, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1167, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1254, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1257, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1258, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1673, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 45
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 17, 2025, AS JACK AND JILL OF AMERICA, INC., GREATER LITTLE ROCK CHAPTER DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND CELEBRATE THE ORGANIZATION'S ENDURING COMMITMENT TO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, PHILANTHROPY, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE.

Senate Resolution No. 45 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 46
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS ROCKETS GOLF TEAM AS THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 46 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER, IRVIN

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MOUNT ST. MARY ACADEMY BELLES GOLF TEAM AS THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 47 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 48
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE PARALYMPIC MEDALIST OLIVIA CHAMBERS OF LITTLE ROCK FOR HER REMARKABLE GIFTS AND INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENTS THAT BRING RENOWN TO HER AND TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 48 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 49
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR SCULPTOR KEVIN KRESSE FOR CREATING THE SCULPTURE OF ARKANSAS MUSIC ICON JOHNNY CASH NOW ON DISPLAY IN THE NATIONAL STATUARY HALL COLLECTION IN THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 49 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 461
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO COLLECT DATA REGARDING THE USE OF SOLITARY CONFINEMENT IN ARKANSAS PRISONS AND JAILS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 461 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 462
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYABILITY FOR A PERSON WITH A FELONY CONVICTION; TO ALLOW THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION AND CIRCUIT COURTS TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF EMPLOYABILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 462 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 463
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, C. PENZO, M. JOHNSON, R. MURDOCK, J. PETTY, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, MCALINDON, BEATY JR., GRAMLICH, ACHOR, J. MOORE, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO APPROVE OR DENY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS CONCERNING CLOSING OR ELIMINATING ELECTRIC GENERATION UNITS OR TRANSMISSION ASSETS BETWEEN PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CERTAIN ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 463 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 464
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES C. COOPER, VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING SALES OF RAW MILK; TO ALLOW SALES OF RAW MILK AND RAW MILK PRODUCTS AT LOCATIONS OTHER THAN THE FARM WHERE THE RAW MILK OR RAW MILK PRODUCT IS PRODUCED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 464 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 465
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003; TO PROVIDE FOR A SALES AND USE TAX REFUND FOR A SPECULATIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT; TO REQUIRE CONCURRENT FINANCIAL INCENTIVE AGREEMENTS UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003 IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 465 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 466
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PLACE A PROHIBITION OR MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN HEIGHTS OF WIND POWER DEVICES FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD; TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION TO STUDY ON THE EFFECTS OF WIND POWER DEVICES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 466 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 467
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" REGARDING STUDENT ATHLETE CONCUSSION EDUCATION TO INCLUDE CHIROPRACTORS OR CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 467 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 468
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FLUORIDATION OF A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM; TO ALLOWS VOTERS TO ELECT "FOR" OR "AGAINST" WATER FLUORIDATION IN THE COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 468 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 469
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COUNTY CAMPAIGN POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEES; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 469 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 470
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF A STATEWIDE STUDENT ASSESSMENT TO A STUDENT IN A VIRTUAL SETTING; TO REQUIRE AN ADULT APPROVED TO OVERSEE THE ADMINISTRATION OF A STATEWIDE STUDENT ASSESSMENT TO CERTAIN STUDENTS IN A VIRTUAL SETTING TO MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 470 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 471
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CANDIDATES FOR NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS; TO ALLOW CERTAIN CANDIDATES FOR NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS TO USE THE TITLE OF THE NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE ON THE BALLOT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 471 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 472
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE VIOLATION OF PURCHASE OR POSSESSION OF AN E-LIQUID PRODUCT OR VAPOR PRODUCT BY A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 472 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 473
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD TO ADVISE THE ARKANSAS FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY ON CERTAIN MATTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 473 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 474
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS; TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM TO PROHIBIT FLUORIDATION OF THE WATER IN THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 474 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Love, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Resolution No. 45 at this time.

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Resolution No. 45 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 45
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 17, 2025, AS JACK AND JILL OF AMERICA, INC., GREATER LITTLE ROCK CHAPTER DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND CELEBRATE THE ORGANIZATION'S ENDURING COMMITMENT TO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, PHILANTHROPY, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE.

Senate Resolution No. 45 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 322 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 322

Amend Senate Bill No. 322 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-1-503 is amended to read as follows:

14-1-503. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(1) “Applicant” means a person that submits a request for permit or a person designated to act on the applicant's behalf in submitting a request for permit;

(2) “Local governing body” means a group of persons elected or appointed to make decisions for or recommendations to one (1) or more local governments;

(3) “Local government” means a municipality, county, or other political subdivision of this state;

(4) “Local government official” means an employee of a local government who is lawfully authorized to issue a permit;

(5) “Person” means an individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association, trust, or other entity or organization that can sue or be sued; ~~and~~

(6) "Private professional provider" means one (1) of the following who is not an employee of or otherwise affiliated with the person engaged in the construction project to be reviewed or inspected:

(A) A professional engineer as defined in § 17-30-101;

(B) A registered architect as defined in § 17-15-102; or

(C) A person licensed, certified, or registered by the applicable agency or body to conduct the type of plan review or inspection covered under this section;

(7) "Regulatory fee" means payments, whether designated as permit fees, application fees, or by another name, that are required by the local government to accept a request for permit or request for inspection;

(8)(A) "Regulatory requirements" means the requirements reasonably determined by the local government to be necessary for approval of plans, permits, or applications under this subchapter.

(B) "Regulatory requirements" includes:

(i) The Arkansas Fire Prevention Code as adopted by the State Fire Marshal;

(ii) The state plumbing code;

(iii) The fuel gas code;

(iv) The plumbing law under § 17-38-301 et seq.;

(v) Any locally adopted ordinances and amendments to the ordinances;

(vi) Development, utility, and subdivision regulations;

(vii) Applicable zoning ordinances and conditions;

(viii) Design standards; and

(ix) Other state and local laws, rules, and ordinances applicable to the application in question;

(9) “Request for inspection” means a request for an inspection of improvements related to a residential, multifamily, commercial, or industrial development or subdivision within the jurisdiction of a local government; and

(10) “Request for permit” means a request for a local government

official's approval of a permit related to the development of a residential, multifamily, commercial, or industrial improvement within the jurisdiction of a local government.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-1-504 is amended to read as follows:

14-1-504. Request for permit — Time period for approval or denial — Notice of denial required.

(a)(1) No later than five (5) business days after receipt of a request for permit, a local government official shall notify the applicant electronically or in writing as to whether the request for permit meets the regulatory requirements of a complete application under § 14-1-505.

(2)(A) Time spent by the local government official determining whether the request for permit is complete shall count toward the sixty-day time for review or inspection under this section.

(B) If a local government official determines that the request for permit is incomplete, the local government official shall follow the procedure under § 14-1-505.

(b)(1) Upon notification to an applicant under subdivision (a)(1) of this section that a complete application has been accepted, the local government official shall also notify the applicant electronically or in writing as to whether the personnel employed or contracted by the local government will be able to provide action by plan review for approval, denial, or request for revisions on the request for permit within sixty (60) days.

(2)(A)(i) If the local government official determines that the personnel employed or contracted by the local government cannot provide action by plan review within the time required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the applicant may request that the local government retain a private professional provider, at the local government’s expense, to provide the required plan review under this subchapter.

(ii) The request under subdivision (b)(2)(A)(i) of this section shall be made electronically or in writing within three (3) business days upon receipt of notification from the local government official.

(B)(i) If the local government official determines that the personnel employed or contracted by the local government can provide action by plan review within the time required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the applicant may retain a private professional provider to provide the required plan review under this subchapter.

(ii) If the applicant does not notify the local government official electronically or in writing within three (3) business days of receipt of notification from the local government official, the plan review will commence by the personnel employed or contracted by the local government.

(C) If the applicant elects to retain the services of a private professional provider, the applicant shall bear the full responsibility of expense of the private professional provider and any regulatory fees associated with the request for permit.

(D) An applicant may provide notice of intent to elect to retain the services of a private professional provider at the time of application for a request for permit.

(c)(1) A local government official shall act by approval, denial, or a request for revision of an applicant's request for permit within sixty (60) days from the date the local government official receives the request for permit.

(2) If the local government official does not approve, deny, or request a revision of an applicant's request for permit within sixty (60) days as required under subdivision ~~(a)(1)~~ (c)(1) of this section, the:

(A) ~~request~~ Request for permit is automatically approved; and

(B) Local government official shall refund all regulatory fees for the request for permit.

(3) A local government official shall not deny an applicant's request for permit if the request for permit complies with and includes the requirements related to the request for permit imposed by the local governing body.

(4)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (c)(4)(B) of this section, the local governing body may limit the:

(i) Scope of a request for permit; and

(ii) Areas of the site to which the request for permit may apply.

(B) The local governing body shall allow the applicant to begin work on the project if a portion of the initial phase of work is compliant with applicable codes, laws, and rules.

~~(b)~~(d) A local government official shall not impose additional requirements related to the request for permit if the request for permit is automatically approved under subdivision ~~(a)(2)~~ (c)(2) of this section.

~~(c)~~(e) The automatic approval of a permit under subdivision ~~(a)(2)~~ (c)(2) of this section shall not authorize the permit holder to violate a:

(1) Federal law or rule;

(2) State law or rule; or

(3) Local ordinance or rule.

~~(d)~~(f) Unless the applicant waives the automatic approval under subdivision ~~(a)(2)~~ (c)(2) of this section, a local government official may refuse to accept a request for permit submitted by a person who previously submitted a request for permit that has not yet been approved or denied.

~~(e)~~(g)(1) The time period for approval or denial of a request for permit shall be extended to accommodate a time period prescribed by state statute, federal law, or court order that prohibits a local government official from approving or denying a request for permit within sixty (60) days.

(2) A local government shall provide an applicant written notice stating the reasons for the extension.

(3) The time period for approval or denial shall be extended sixty (60) days from the date of compliance as required by the state statute, federal law, or court order.

(4) A delay in action on a request for permit that is caused by the fault of the applicant shall not count toward the sixty-day period for action by approval, denial, or request for revisions on a request for permit.

~~(f)~~(h) Upon consent of the applicant, a local government official may extend the time period for approval or denial of a request for permit by providing the applicant written notice stating the reasons for the extension.

~~(g)~~(i) If a local government official denies a request for permit, the local government official shall provide the applicant written or electronic notice of the denial stating the reasons the request for permit was denied.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 14, Chapter 1, Subchapter 5, is amended to add additional sections to read as follows:

14-1-506. Plan review for request for permit.

(a) A plan review conducted by a private professional provider shall be no less extensive than a plan review conducted by a local government official.

(b)(1) A private professional provider performing a plan review under this section shall review the plans to determine compliance with all applicable regulatory requirements.

(2) Upon determining that the plans reviewed comply with the applicable regulatory requirements, the private professional provider shall prepare an affidavit or affidavits certifying under oath that the following is true and correct to the best of the private professional provider's knowledge and belief and in accordance with the applicable professional standard of care:

(A) That the plans were reviewed by the affiant who is authorized to perform the plan review under this section and who holds the appropriate license or certifications and insurance coverage required under this subchapter;

(B) That a determination has been made that the plan is in compliance; and

(C) That a determination has been made that plans submitted for the plan review are in conformity with plans previously submitted or approved by the local government in the plan submittal process.

(c) The private professional provider shall be authorized to perform a plan review for a request for permit required by the local government, including without limitation plan review for:

(1) Civil plans;

(2) Construction plans; and

(3) Plumbing plans if allowed by the Department of Health.

(d)(1)(A) An applicant using a private professional provider shall submit a copy of the private professional provider's plan review report to a local government official within five (5) days of completion of the plan review report.

(B) A plan review report under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this section shall include without limitation the following:

(i) The affidavit of the private professional provider

required under subdivision (b)(2) of this section; and

(ii) Any documents reasonably required by the local government official and any other documents reasonably necessary to determine that the applicant has secured all other governmental approvals required by law.

(2)(A) No more than ten (10) business days after receipt of a plan review report from the private professional provider, the local government official shall issue the requested permit or provide written notice to the applicant identifying the specific plan features that do not comply with the applicable regulatory requirements as well as the specific code chapters and sections of the regulatory requirements.

(B) If the local government official does not provide a written notice of the plan deficiencies with specific code references to the regulatory requirements not met within the prescribed ten-day period, the:

(i) Request for permit shall be deemed approved as a matter of law; and

(ii) Permit shall be issued by the local government official on the next business day.

(3)(A) If the local government official provides a written notice of plan deficiencies to the applicant within the prescribed ten-day period, the ten-day period shall be tolled pending resolution of the matter.

(B) To resolve the plan deficiencies, the applicant may:

(i) Dispute the plan deficiencies under this subchapter; or

(ii) Submit revisions to correct the plan deficiencies.

(4)(A) If the applicant submits revisions to address the plan deficiencies previously identified, the local government official shall have the remainder of the tolled ten-day period plus an additional five (5) business days to issue the requested permit or to provide a second written notice to the applicant stating which plan features remain in noncompliance with the applicable regulatory requirements, with specific reference to the relevant code chapters and sections of the regulatory requirements.

(B) If the local government official does not provide the second written notice under subdivision (4)(A) of this section within the prescribed time, the permit shall be issued by the local government official on the next business day.

(C) If the revisions required to address the plan deficiencies or any additional revisions submitted by the applicant require that new governmental approvals be obtained, the applicant shall obtain the approvals before a new plan report can be submitted.

(5)(A) If the local government official provides a second written notice of plan deficiencies under subdivision (4)(A) of this section to the applicant within the prescribed time, the applicant may:

(i) Dispute the plan deficiencies under this subchapter; or

(ii) Submit additional revisions to correct the plan

deficiencies.

(B) For all revisions submitted after the first revision, the local government official shall have an additional five (5) business days to issue the requested permit or to provide a written notice to the applicant stating which plan features remain in noncompliance with the applicable regulatory requirements, with specific reference to the relevant code chapters and sections.

(6)(A) If the local government official and the private professional provider are unable to resolve a dispute on matters concerning any ordinance, regulation, or policy of the local government, the matter shall be referred to the local governing body, which shall consider the matter by whichever occurs first:

(i) The next scheduled meeting of the local governing body; or

(ii) Within thirty (30) days from the date the matter is referred.

(B) If the local government official and the private professional provider are unable to resolve a dispute on matters concerning state law or state adopted building codes, the matter shall be referred to the Department of Labor and Licensing, which shall consider the matter by whichever occurs first:

(i) The next scheduled meeting of the local governing body; or

(ii) Within thirty (30) days from the date the matter is referred.

(e) The Department of Labor and Licensing may promulgate rules to implement this section.

14-1-507. Request for inspection by private professional provider.

(a)(1) An applicant making a request for inspection may retain a private professional provider to conduct the requested inspection at the expense of the applicant.

(2)(A) At the time the request for inspection is made to a local government official or at any time thereafter, the applicant shall include electronic or written notice of the intent to retain a private professional provider to complete a required inspection.

(B) The notice shall include the date, time, and location of the inspection to be completed.

(C) A local government official may be present during the inspection.

(3) If the applicant elects to retain the services of a private professional provider, the applicant shall bear the full responsibility of expense of the private professional provider and any regulatory fees associated with the request for inspection.

(b)(1) Upon completion of the inspection by the private professional provider, the private professional provider shall submit a copy of his or her inspection report to the local government official.

(2) The local government official shall accept the inspection and inspection report of the private professional provider without further inspection or approval by the personnel employed or contracted by the local government unless the local government official has notified the private professional provider, within one (1) business day after the submission of the inspection report, that the local government official finds the report incomplete or the inspection inadequate and has provided the private professional provider with a written description of the deficiencies and specific regulatory requirements that have not been adequately addressed.

(c) A local government may impose reasonable restrictions on the continuation of work that would hide, obscure, or make it impossible to inspect work subject to the inspection until the inspection report has been approved by the local government official.

(d) The private professional provider may perform an inspection or a review required by a local government, including without limitation:

(1) Inspections for:

(A) Footings, foundations, concrete slabs, sidewalks, and streets;

(B) Framing;

(C) Electrical components;

(D) Plumbing;

(E) Heating ventilation and air conditioning;

(F) Drainage; and

(G) Utilities;

(2) All other inspections not listed under subdivision (d)(1) of this section that are necessary or required to determine compliance with applicable regulatory requirements; and

(3) Review for the issuance of a building permit or inspections for a certificate of occupancy issued by a local government.

(e) This subchapter does not authorize a private professional provider to issue a certificate of occupancy or building permit.

14-1-508. Fees.

(a) A local government that imposes regulatory fees or regulatory requirements within its jurisdiction shall establish and make available a schedule of the regulatory fees.

(b) The amount of a regulatory fee shall approximate the reasonable cost of the actual regulatory activity performed by the local government.

14-1-509. Exemptions.

(a) This subchapter does not limit a public or private right of action designed to provide protection, rights, or remedies for consumers.

(b) This subchapter does not apply to:

(1) Hospitals;

(2) Ambulatory healthcare centers;

(3) Nursing homes;

(4) Jails;

(5) Penal institutions;

(6) Airports;

(7) Buildings or structures that affect national or state homeland security; or

(8)(A) A building defined as a high-rise building in the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code.

(B) An interior tenant build-out project within a high-rise building is not exempt from this subchapter.

14-1-510. Stop-work orders.

(a) If a local government official responsible for building code enforcement determines that a project does not comply with the applicable regulatory requirements, the local government official may:

(1) Deny the permit or request for a certificate of occupancy or certificate of completion, as appropriate; or

(2) Issue a stop-work order for the project or any portion of the project as provided by law after:

(A) Providing notice to one (1) of the following individuals:

(i) The owner;

(ii) The private professional provider of record; or

(iii) The contractor of record;

(B) Posting a copy of the order on the site of the project; and

(C) Providing the opportunity to remedy the violation within the time set forth in the notice.

(b) A local government official shall be available to meet with the private professional provider within two (2) business days after issuing a stop-work order under subdivision (a)(2) of this section to resolve any dispute after issuing a stop-work order or providing notice to the applicant denying:

(1) A permit;

(2) A request for a certificate of occupancy; or

(3) A certificate of completion.

(c) If the local government official and the private professional provider are unable to resolve the dispute or meet within the time required under subsection (b) of this section, the matter shall be referred to the local governing body, which shall consider the matter by whichever occurs first:

(1) The next scheduled meeting of the local governing body; or

(2) Within thirty (30) days from the date the matter is referred.

14-1-511. Authority of local government.

(a) A local government, local government official, member of local government building code enforcement personnel, and agents of the local

government are immune from liability to any person or party for any action or inaction by an owner of a building or by a private professional provider or his or her authorized representative in connection with plan review or inspection services by private professional providers as provided under this subchapter.

(b) A local government may establish a list of private professional providers working within the jurisdiction of the local government.

(c) A local government may establish requirements regarding certification and licensure for private professional providers that equate to the certifications and licensure requirements required for personnel employed or contracted by the local government to conduct plan reviews and inspections as may be applicable to the particular type of plan review or inspection.

14-1-512. Liability of private professional providers.

(a) When performing plan review or inspection services under this subchapter, a private professional provider is subject to the disciplinary guidelines of the applicable professional licensing board with jurisdiction over the private professional provider's license or certification, as applicable.

(b) Any complaint processing, investigation, or disciplinary action that arises from a private professional provider's performance of plan review or inspection services shall be conducted by the applicable professional licensing board unless the action constitutes a violation of a local ordinance or law.

(c) Except as provided under the disciplinary rules of the applicable professional licensing board with jurisdiction over the private professional provider's license or certification, a local government official may decline to accept a plan review or an inspection report submitted by a private professional provider who has submitted multiple reports that required revisions due to:

(1) Negligence;

(2) Noncompliance; or

(3) Deficiencies.

(d) A private professional provider providing plan review or inspection services under this subchapter shall secure and maintain insurance coverage under an errors and omissions policy for professional liability insurance.

(e) The limits of the professional liability insurance under this section shall be not less than:

(1) One million dollars ($1,000,000) per claim and one million dollars ($1,000,000) in aggregate coverage for any project with a construction cost of less than five million dollars ($5,000,000); or

(2) Two million dollars ($2,000,000) per claim and two million dollars ($2,000,000) in aggregate coverage for any project with a construction cost of five million dollars ($5,000,000) or more.

(f)(1) Professional liability insurance under this section may be a practice policy or project-specific coverage.

(2) If the professional liability insurance under this section is a practice policy, it shall contain prior-acts coverage for the private professional provider.

(3) If the professional liability insurance under this section is project-specific, it shall continue in effect for two (2) years following the issuance of the certificate of final completion for the project.

(g) An applicant using a private professional provider shall verify compliance with the insurance requirements of this section and provide the information to the local government official.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 322 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 103 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 103 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 103

Amend Senate Bill No. 103 as originally introduced:

Add Senators Irvin, M. Johnson as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Page 5, delete lines 8 through 19, and substitute the following:

"(5) "Relevant and reasonable terms of participation" means terms and conditions that:

(A) Are consistent with applicable state and federal law;

(B) Are consistent with industry standards; and

(C) Do not arbitrarily or discriminatorily exclude a qualified pharmacy or pharmacist."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 103 was ordered engrossed.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 241 was withdrawn.

On motion of Senator Scott, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 241 at this time.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 241 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 241

Amend Senate Bill 241 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Clowney, Wooldridge as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 21-5-214, as amended by Acts 2025, No. 205, is amended to read as follows:

21-4-214. Catastrophic leave program — Definition.

(a)(1) The Department of Shared Administrative Services shall have administrative responsibility for developing, implementing, and maintaining the statewide catastrophic leave bank program.

(2)(A) Each state agency shall participate in a catastrophic leave bank to be administered by the Office of Personnel Management.

(B) The following governmental entities may establish a catastrophic leave bank for the governmental entities' employees:

(i) The General Assembly;

(ii) The Bureau of Legislative Research;

(iii) Arkansas Legislative Audit;

(iv) The Arkansas Department of Transportation;

(v) The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission;

(vi) The Supreme Court;

(vii) The Court of Appeals;

(viii) The Administrative Office of the Courts;

(ix) A constitutional office; and

(x) An institution of higher education.

(b) Accrued annual leave and sick leave of employees may be donated to a catastrophic leave bank.

(c)(1) Catastrophic leave with pay may be granted to an employee when the employee is unable to perform his or her duties due to:

(A) ~~a~~ A catastrophic illness, including maternity purposes~~.~~; or

(B) The death of an immediate family member.

(2) As used in this section:

(A)(i) "Immediate family member" means the father, mother, sister, brother, husband, wife, child, grandmother, grandfather, grandchild, in-laws, or any individual acting as parent or guardian of the employee.

(ii) As used in subdivision (c)(2)(A)(i) of this section, "child" means:

(a) A biological child;

(b) An unborn child;

(c) A stepchild;

(d) An adoptive child; or

(e) A child in foster care who has been placed in the home of the employee.

(d) An employee may be eligible for catastrophic leave when:

(1)(A) The employee has been employed by the state for one (1) year or more or was previously employed by a public school district or state-supported institution of higher education for one (1) year or more.

(B) A person who was employed by a public school district or

state-supported institution of higher education for less than one (1) year also is eligible for catastrophic leave if:

(i) The person's combined years of employment with the state and with a public school district or state-supported institution of higher education totals more than one (1) year; and

(ii) The lapse in the person's employment between the state and a public school district or state-supported institution of higher education is less than six (6) months;

(2) The employee is female, and the catastrophic leave is to be used for maternity purposes after:

(A) The birth of the employee's biological child;

(B) The placement of an adoptive child under one (1) year of age in the home of the employee; or

(C) The foster placement of an infant under one (1) year of age;

(3)(A) At the onset of the illness or injury the employee had to his or her credit at least eighty (80) hours of combined sick and annual leave and has exhausted all such leave, unless the combined sick and annual leave requirement is waived under subdivision (d)(3)(B) of this section.

(B) A state agency director or a president of an institution of higher education may waive the minimum eighty-hour requirement for combined sick and annual leave if the agency director determines that the employee warrants eligibility because of extraordinary circumstances under the standards and guidelines promulgated under subdivision ~~(g)(2)~~ (h)(2) of this section;

(C)(i) An employee on catastrophic leave for maternity purposes or for the death of an immediate family member is not required to exhaust sick or annual leave before being granted catastrophic leave.

(ii) An employee on catastrophic leave for maternity purposes or for the death of an immediate family member does not accrue any leave;

(4) An acceptable medical certificate from ~~a~~ the treating physician or acceptable documentation of the death of an immediate family member supporting the continued absence is on file; and

(5) The employee has not been disciplined for any leave abuse during the past year from the time of application.

(e)(1) Up to twelve (12) consecutive weeks of catastrophic leave with full pay may be granted to an employee for maternity purposes.

(2) The employee shall be eligible for the leave only within the first twelve (12) weeks after the birth, fostering, or adoption of a child.

(3) After the expiration of the twelve (12) weeks of leave under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, maternity leave shall be treated as any other leave for sickness or disability under § 21-4-209.

(4) Catastrophic leave for maternity purposes shall run concurrently with the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, Pub. L. No. 103-3.

(5) The employee shall not be eligible for an additional twelve (12)

weeks of leave for the adoption of a child if the employee took twelve (12) weeks of leave after the initial foster placement of the same child into the employee's home.

(f)(1)(A) An employee shall be eligible for up to forty (40) hours of catastrophic leave with pay each calendar year for the death of an immediate family member under subdivision (c)(1)(B) of this section.

(B) An employee shall be eligible for leave under subdivision (f)(1) of this section only within the first four (4) weeks after the death of an immediate family member.

(C) After the expiration of the forty (40) hours of leave under subdivision (f)(1) of this section, an employee may use his or her accrued sick leave for the death of an immediate family member.

(2) Catastrophic leave for the death of an immediate family member under subdivision (f)(1) of this section shall run concurrently with leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, Pub. L. No. 103-3, if applicable.

(3)(A) Unused catastrophic leave granted under this subsection shall not be carried over to the next calendar year.

(B) Upon termination or retirement, catastrophic leave granted under this subsection is not compensable to the employee.

~~(f)~~(g) If the illness or injury is that of an employee and is covered by workers' compensation, the compensation based on catastrophic leave when combined with the weekly workers' compensation benefit received by the employee shall not exceed the compensation being received by the employee at the onset of the illness or injury.

~~(g)~~(h) The Secretary of the Department of Shared Administrative Services, or the secretary's designee, shall establish policies and procedures:

(1) As deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this section; and

(2) To prescribe the standards and guidelines of the extraordinary circumstances that the state agency director or the president of an institution of higher education may use to waive the minimum requirement for combined sick and annual leave."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 241 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 252 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 252 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 252

Amend Senate Bill No. 252 as engrossed S2/25/25:

Page 1, line 16, delete "TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF HEALTH RISKS CAUSED BY VAPOR PRODUCTS AND E-LIQUID PRODUCTS; AND TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ARKANSAS YOUTH."

AND

Page 6, line 20, delete ""cake"," "cakes"," and substitute ""cake", "cakes","

AND

Page 7, line 13, delete "(1)" and substitute "(1)(A)"

AND

Page 7, delete line 16, and substitute the following:
"vegetable glycerin, and flavorings.

(B) "E-liquid" and "e-liquid product" does not include a product that is a nicotine solution sold in a container without a battery or atomizer and that is

intended to be refillable or that otherwise makes the nicotine solution accessible to the consumer through customary or reasonably foreseeable handling or use; and"

AND

Page 7, line 17, delete "(2)" and substitute "(2)(A)"

AND

Page 7, line 21, delete "(A)" and substitute "(i)"

AND

Page 7, line 24, delete "(B)" and substitute "(ii)"

AND

Page 7, line 26, delete "products;" and substitute "products; and"

AND

Page 7, line 27, delete "(C)" and substitute "(iii)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 30 and 31, and substitute the following:
"nicotine from any source, or any other vapor product name or descriptor.

(B) "Vapor product" does not include:

(i) A device that:

(a) Uses removable batteries;

(b) Is sold without e-liquid; and

(c) Is designed to utilized e-liquid in a refillable container; or

(ii) A product regulated as a drug or"

AND

Page 8, line 6, delete "July 1, 2025;" and substitute "November 1, 2025;"

AND

Page 8, line 8, delete "or a vapor" and substitute "of a vapor"

AND

Page 9, line 4, delete "May 1, 2025," and substitute "September 1, 2025,"

AND

Page 10, line 34, delete "of one" and substitute "of five hundred dollars ($500)"

AND

Page 10, line 35, delete "thousand dollars ($1,000)"

AND

Page 11, line 3, delete "five hundred dollars ($500)" and substitute "two hundred fifty dollars ($250)"

AND

Page 11, line 17, delete "July 1, 2025," and substitute "November 1, 2025,"

AND

Page 11, line 33, delete "July 1, 2025," and substitute "November 1, 2025,"

AND

Delete SECTION 14 in its entirety

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 252 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hickey, House Bill No. 1488 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1488

Amend House Bill No. 1488 as engrossed H3/6/25:

Add Senator Gilmore as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1488 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 12 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 12
As Engrossed: S2/3/25 S2/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF *1967; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING REDISTRICTING BY THE BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT; TO ESTABLISH A PENALTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 12 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 12. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 21

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dotson.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.12 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Resolution No. 44 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 44
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR D.J. DANIEL FOR HIS FIGHT AGAINST BRAIN CANCER AND SUPPORT NAMING HIM AN HONORARY STATE CAPITOL POLICE OFFICER, AND TO PROCLAIM MARCH 17, 2025, AS D.J. DANIEL DAY IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 44 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hill the Senate recessed until 2:16 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 104 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 104
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO PROTECT PATIENTS' RIGHTS AND ACCESS TO MEDICATIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 104 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Clark, Hickey, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Dismang, Dotson.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 104, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Clark, Hickey, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Dismang, Dotson.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 104 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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Dear Ms. Cornwell:

This letter serves as written notification that I was called out of the chamber when Senate Bill No. 104 was brought up for third reading and final passage. I would like the record to reflect that I would have voted yes on the bill. Please file this letter in the official Senate Journal of the Regular Session 95th General Assembly.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Gary Stubblefield
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Dear Ms. Cornwell:

This letter serves as written notification that I was called out of the chamber when Senate Bill No. 104 was brought up for third reading and final passage. I would like the record to reflect that I would have voted yes on the bill. Please file this letter in the official Senate Journal of the Regular Session 95th General Assembly.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Ronald Caldwell
State Senator
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On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 271 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 271

As Engrossed: S3/3/25 S3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 271 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 271. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 271 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 342 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 342
As Engrossed: S3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANIMALS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INJURIES TO CERTAIN ANIMALS BY DOGS TO AUTHORIZE TREBLE DAMAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 342 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 342.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English , Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.342 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 353 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 353

As Engrossed: S3/10/25 S3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DATES FOR ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE DATES OF PRIMARY ELECTIONS, SCHOOL ELECTIONS, AND CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS; TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE FISCAL* SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 353 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke on the bill.

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 353. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo , Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Johnson, M.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 353 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 357 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 357
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; TO APPLY MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT TO A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S TOTAL SERVICE TIME FOR ANNUAL LEAVE ACCRUAL CALCULATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 357 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 357. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total..... 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Love, Sullivan.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 357 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 368 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 368
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MINERAL, TIMBER, AND OTHER RESOURCES ON STATE LANDS; TO REDUCE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE; TO AMEND THE STATE AGENCIES REQUIRED TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION RELATED TO LEASES AND PERMITS FOR MINERAL, TIMBER, AND OTHER RESOURCES ON STATE LANDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 368 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 368. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 368 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 376 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 376
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC MEETINGS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Clark requested Senate Bill No. 376 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 376 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 403 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 403

As Engrossed: S3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, *CROWELL*

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE 2030 ARKANSAS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE; TO PLAN AND CONDUCT STATEWIDE EDUCATIONAL AND OUTREACH INITIATIVES TO INCREASE COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION IN THE 2030 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 403 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hickey.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Stubblefield.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 403 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 405 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 405
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ONLINE MARKETPLACE CONSUMER INFORM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 405 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 405. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.405 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 407 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 407

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS CATFISH PROCESSOR FAIR PRACTICES ACT OF 1987; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 407 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 407. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 407 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 409 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 409
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVES TORRES, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS BY FINANCIAL SERVICES PROVIDERS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL JUSTICE, OR GOVERNANCE SCORES OR METRICS; TO ESTABLISH THE FARMER PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 409 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hickey.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 409 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 414 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 414
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTION LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING NOTICES RELATED TO THE ELECTION PROCESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 414 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 414. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.414 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, Senate Bill No. 424 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 424
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. STUBBLEFIELD, J. ENGLISH,
K. HAMMER, G. LEDING, C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, K. BROWN, FURMAN,
HOLCOMB, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY OF A MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 424 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stubblefield moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 424. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 424 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 432 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 432
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ACCOUNTANTS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF SUBSTANTIAL EQUIVALENCY FOR THE PRACTICE OF ACCOUNTANCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 432 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 432. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 432 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 285 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 286 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1245 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245
As Engrossed: S2/13/25 S3/6/25 S3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, MADDOX
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST REGISTRATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1245 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke against the bill.
Senator Sullivan spoke for the bill.
Senator Irvin closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 24

NEGATIVE: Johnson, M., Stubblefield.
Total 2
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English.
Total 2
EXCUSED: Dees.
Total 1
VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, McKee, C. Penzo, Rice.
Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1245 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1253 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1253
As Engrossed: H2/26/25 H3/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL LICENSURE INTERSTATE COMPACT IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1253 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1253. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1253 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1367 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1367

As Engrossed: H2/25/25 H3/4/25 H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TITLE INSURANCE ACT; TO REGULATE ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS BY A TITLE AGENT AND A TITLE COMPANY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1367 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1367. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Hickey, Irvin.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1367 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1385 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1385
As Engrossed: H2/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION; TO REQUIRE THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION TO NOTIFY MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCERNING CERTAIN PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1385 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1385. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1385 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1508 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1508

As Engrossed: H2/20/25 S3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, GAZAWAY

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECODIFICATION OF TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC FINANCE; TO REPEAL AND RECODIFY TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS; TO AMEND LAWS RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACTS 2000, NO. 1; TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE ARKANSAS CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1508 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1508. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1508 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1517 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1517
As Engrossed: H3/4/25 H3/6/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE EARNED WAGE ACCESS SERVICES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1517 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1517. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1517 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1548 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1548

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; TO ABOLISH THE DATA AND TRANSPARENCY PANEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1548 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1548. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1548 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1552 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1552

As Engrossed: S3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN INCHOATE OFFENSES RELATED TO FENTANYL; TO ESTABLISH THE CLASSIFICATION FOR A CRIMINAL ATTEMPT, SOLICITATION, OR CONSPIRACY FOR CERTAIN FENTANYL RELATED OFFENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1552 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1552. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1552 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1563 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1563
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD A FELONY OFFENSE THAT FALLS UNDER THE DEFINITION OF RESTRICTED RELEASE FELONY WITH RESPECT TO RELEASE ELIGIBILITY AND PROCEDURES FOR OFFENSES COMMITTED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1563 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1563. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1563 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1579 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1579
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SEX OFFENDER REASSESSMENT; TO PROHIBIT AN INCARCERATED PERSON FROM BEING ELIGIBLE FOR RISK LEVEL REASSESSMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1579 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1579. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1579 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1583 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1583

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1583 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1583. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1583 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Flippo, House Bill No.1593 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1593
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE REPORTS MADE TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY THE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS, DIVISION OF CORRECTION, AND DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION; TO COMBINE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1593 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flippo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1593. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1593 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1595 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1595
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENACT THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT'S GENERAL OMNIBUS AMENDMENT OF ARKANSAS INSURANCE CODE; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE PLAN; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECIPROCAL INSURERS; TO CLARIFY AN ATTORNEY'S BOND REQUIREMENT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXAMINATIONS OF HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SERVICE OF PROCESS IN SUITS INVOLVING INSURERS; TO REPEAL THE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE POOL ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1595 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1595. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1595 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1603 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1603
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS BY A CRIMINAL DEFENDANT IN CIRCUIT COURT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1603 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1603. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1603 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hickey, House Bill No. 1610 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1610

As Engrossed: H3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, ET AL

BY: SENATORS HICKEY, IRVIN, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HUMAN LIFE PROTECTION ACT AND THE ARKANSAS UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "MEDICAL EMERGENCY"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1610 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1610. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1610 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1451 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1451

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS CONCURRENT CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A STUDENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONCURRENT CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1451 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1451. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1451 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1620 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1620
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS; TO REGULATE PROCESSING AND PAYMENT OF PHARMACY CLAIMS; TO CREATE THE PHARMACY AND PHARMACIST TIMELY RECONCILIATION AND PAYMENT OF PHARMACIST SERVICES ACT; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY AUDIT BILL OF RIGHTS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1620 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1620. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1620 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1628 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1628
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AN EXTENDED POST-CONVICTION NO CONTACT ORDER; TO ADD SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE TO THE OFFENSES FOR WHICH A COURT MAY ISSUE AN EXTENDED POST-CONVICTION NO CONTACT ORDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1628 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1628. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1628 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1512 at this time.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1512 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1512

As Engrossed: H3/6/25 H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, *EVANS, BEATY, JR., BROOKS, EUBANKS, WARDLAW, BARKER, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, JOHN CARR, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, GRAMLICH, HAWK, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, S. MEEKS, NAZARENKO, ROSE, TORRES, WING, ACHOR, BECK, EAVES, UNGER, ANDREWS*

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ACCESS ACT; TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE AS THEY RELATE TO EDUCATION IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1512 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1512. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1512 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 433 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 433 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 433

Amend Senate Bill No. 433 as originally introduced:

Add Senators M. McKee, J. Boyd, A. Clark, Dees, K. Hammer, C. Penzo, Stone

AND

Add Representatives Bentley, Breaux, N. Burkes, Long, McGrew, S. Meeks

AND

Page 1, line 22, delete "district"

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "copy; and" and substitute "copy~~; and~~."

AND

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:

"(c) Be displayed in a large font size~~;~~.

(iii) The durable poster or framed copy required under subdivision (a)(1)(A)(i) of this section shall include:"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 8, and substitute the following:

"~~(B)~~(a) An accurate representation of the United States flag, which shall be under the national motto; and

~~(C)~~(b) An accurate representation of the Arkansas state flag or flags; and

(B)(i) A durable poster or framed copy of a historical representation of the Ten Commandments.

(ii) The durable poster or framed copy of a historical representation of the Ten Commandments required by subdivision (a)(1)(B)(i) of this section shall:"

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "~~authorized under~~ required by" and substitute "authorized under"

AND

Page 3, line 4, delete "district"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "of directors"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 433 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 34 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 34

JBC 03/13/25 (1b)

Amend Senate Bill No. 34 as originally introduced:

On page 2, line 4, delete "5" and insert "4"

AND

On page 2, line 10, delete "69" and insert "74"

AND

On page 5, line 26, delete "2,486" and insert "2,490"

AND

On page 6, line 10, delete "$103,844,350" and insert "$104,057,583"

AND

On page 6, line 12, delete "45,044,816" and insert "45,126,030"

AND

On page 6, line 18, delete "0" and insert "1,000,000"

AND

On page 6, line 25, delete "$200,399,265" and insert "$201,693,712".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 34 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 36 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 36

JBC 03/13/25 (1c)

Amend Senate Bill No. 36 as originally introduced:

On page 2, line 10, delete "10" and insert "11"

AND

On page 2, line 15, delete "121" and insert "125"

AND

On page 2, line 30, delete "1" and insert "2"

AND

On page 2, line 35, delete "12" and insert "13"

AND

On page 3, immediately following line 26, insert the following:

"(65.1) M023C SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM COORD 1 GRADE GS07"

AND

On page 3, line 32, delete "6" and insert "7"

AND

On page 3, line 33, delete "3" and insert "7"

AND

On page 4, immediately following line 14, insert the following:

"(89.1) RO27C BUDGET SPECIALIST 1 GRADE GS06
(89.2) L070C HEALTH CARE ANALYST 1 GRADE GS05"

AND

On page 4, line 27, delete "38" and insert "39"

AND

On page 5, line 26, delete "1,163" and insert "1,179"

AND

On page 6, line 11, delete "$57,562,277" and insert "$58,451,995"

AND

On page 6, line 13, delete "24,348,646" and insert "24,682,047"

AND

On page 6, line 16, delete "28,632,158" and insert "41,332,158"

AND

On page 6, line 18, delete "9,460,828" and insert "11,460,828"

AND

On page 6, line 19, delete "0" and insert "900,000"

AND

On page 6, line 21, delete "$131,662,434" and insert "$148,485,553"

AND

On page 6, line 34, delete "25,490,328" and insert "22,790,328"

AND

On page 6, line 36, delete "17,447,582" and insert "17,436,641"

AND

On page 7, line 3, delete "$58,867,600" and insert "$56,156,659"

AND

On page 7, line 25, delete "$34,676" and insert "$70,000"

AND

On page 7, line 36, delete "$50,477,554" and insert "$47,553,171"

AND

On page 8, line 11, delete "$59,666,991" and insert "$49,666,991"

AND

On page 9, immediately following Section 12, insert the following:

" SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - INDEPENDENT CHOICES GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grant payments of the Department of Human Services - Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	INDEPENDENT CHOICES GRANTS AND AID	$400,000"

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent section numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 36 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 88 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 88

JBC 03/13/25 (l.1.)

Amend Senate Bill No. 88 as originally introduced:

Pages 12-13, delete SECTION 25 in its entirety and substitute the following:

" SECTION 25. REGULAR SALARIES - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE. There is hereby established for the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Northwest Technical Institute for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum Annual Maximum No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	NWT10C	NWTI DIRECTOR	1	$169,298
(2)	NWT07C	NWTI ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	2	$127,195
(3)	NWT19P	NWTI NURSE INSTRUCTOR	6	$124,726
(4)	NWT06P	NWTI AMMONIA & INDUST TRAIN SUPV/EXPERT	1	$112,976
(5)	NWT12P	NWTI EDUC PROG SUPV/EXPERT	3	$112,976
(6)	NWT01P	NWTI ACCOUNTANT II	1	$95,564
(7)	NWT09P	NWTI CAREER & TECH FACULTY II	7	$95,564
(8)	NWT05P	NWTI AMMONIA & INDUST TRAINER	2	$93,367
(9)	NWT21P	NWTI USER SUPPORT ANALYST	2	$89,613
(10)	NWT08P	NWTI CAREER & TECH FACULTY I	28	$86,876
(11)	NWT11P	NWTI EDUCATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR	3	$84,879
(12)	NWT13P	NWTI EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	$84,879
(13)	NWT15P	NWTI HR COORDINATOR	1	$84,879
(14)	NWT20P	NWTI TRAINER	3	$84,879
(15)	NWT17P	NWTI MAINT SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	2	$77,163
(16)	NWT02P	NWTI ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	$70,148
(17)	NWT03P	NWTI ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	5	$63,770
(18)	NWT14P	NWTI FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	$63,770

(19)	NWT16P NWTI HR SPECIALIST	1	$63,770
(20)	NWT18P NWTI MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	3	$57,973
(21)	NWT04P NWTI ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	4	$52,703
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	79	".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 88 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 128 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 128

JBC 3/13/25 (1J)

Amend Senate Bill No. 128 as originally introduced:

Page 7, line 19, delete "160" and substitute "1,060"

AND

Page 10, line 21, delete "11,861" and substitute "12,761"

AND

Page 10, line 27, delete "six hundred twenty-five (625)" and substitute "one thousand five hundred sixty-five (1,565)"

AND

Page 10, delete Sections 3 and 4 in their entirety

AND

Page 11, delete lines 34-36 and substitute the following:

"(04) UAMS REGIONAL CAMPUSES 6,561,549
(05) POISON AND DRUG INFORMATION CENTER 1,828,587
(06) UAMS NORTHWEST ARK. MEDICAL SCHOOL 3,434,664"

AND

Page 12, line 4, delete " $141,078,036" and substitute " $149,403,947"

AND

Page 12, delete Sections 7 and 8 in their entirety and substitute the following:

" SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - NURSING/MEDICAL LOANS AND SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for loans and/or scholarships for rural nursing and advanced nursing match, rural medical practice and community match, all as may be authorized by law, of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	ADVANCED NURSING PRACTICE COMMUNITY MATCH STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM LOANS AND/OR SCHOLARSHIPS	$150,000
(02)	RURAL ADVANCED NURSING PRACTICE STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM LOANS AND/OR SCHOLARSHIPS	150,000
(03)	RURAL MEDICAL PRACTICE STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM LOANS AND/OR SCHOLARSHIPS	300,000
(04)	COMMUNITY MATCH STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM LOANS AND/OR SCHOLARSHIPS	150,000
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$750,000"

AND

Page 13, delete Section 9 in its entirety and substitute the following:

" SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - BREAST CANCER RESEARCH. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, to be payable from the Breast Cancer Research Fund, for allocation to the Breast Cancer

Research Program for education, outreach, research and grants related to the cause, cure, treatment, prevention and earlier detection of breast cancer, for the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	BREAST CANCER RESEARCH PROGRAM	
	EXPENSES	$1,694,216"

AND

Page 14, line 15, delete "CENTER AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT" and substitute "CENTER."

AND

Page 14, line 19, delete "and support for Disease State Management"

AND

Page 14, delete lines 25-28 and substitute the following:

"(01)	ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE ARKANSAS POISON AND DRUG INFORMATION CENTER	$299,959"

AND

Page 14, delete Section 11 in its entirety

AND

Page 15, line 22, delete "$6,100,000" and substitute "$2,000,000"

AND

Page 15, line 24, delete "$7,150,000" and substitute "$3,050,000"

AND

Page 16, delete Section 15 in its entirety

AND

Page 17, line 5, delete "HEALTHCARE" and substitute "HEALTH DATA"

AND

Page 17, line 9, delete "Healthcare" and substitute "Health Data"

AND

Page 17, delete lines 14-17 in their entirety and substitute the following:

"(01) ARKANSAS HEALTH DATA INITIATIVE $802,879"

AND

Page 17, delete Sections 17 and 18 and substitute the following:

" SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, to be payable from the Newborn Umbilical Cord Blood Initiative Fund, for personal services, operating expenses, travel, grants, and contracts of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences - Newborn Umbilical Cord Blood Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	NEWBORN UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD PROGRAM PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES	$796,000"

AND

Page 22, delete Section 30 in its entirety

AND

Page 23, delete Section 32 in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber section numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 128 was ordered engrossed.

Senator Bryant was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

SENATE BILL NO. 38
SENATE BILL NO. 42

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 38 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 38
As Engrossed: S3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 38 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 38, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 38 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 42 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO.42
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 42 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 42, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 42 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 103, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 241, BY SENATOR JAIME SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 252, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 103 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 241 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 252 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 322, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1488, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK HIGH SCHOOL CHARGING WILDCATS VARSITY CHEER TEAM FOR WINNING THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 475
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT; TO REGULATE PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 475 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 476
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW LEAVE FOR ORGAN DONATION FOR CERTAIN STATE EMPLOYEES; TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION AGAINST INDIVIDUALS APPLYING FOR LIFE INSURANCE WHO ARE ORGAN DONORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 476 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 477
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF THEFT OF EQUIPMENT RENTAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 477 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 478
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS DIESEL ENGINE FREEDOM ACT OF 2025; TO PROHIBIT STATE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL REGULATION OF CERTAIN TYPES OF DIESEL ENGINES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 478 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 479
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER ASSISTANCE; TO REQUIRE A PERSON ASSISTING A VOTER WITH A DISABILITY TO PRESENT IDENTIFICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 479 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 480
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE INVESTMENT OF STATE FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 480 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 481
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, J. PETTY, RICE, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A MORE SUSTAINABLE SYSTEM OF PROPERTY INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY; TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL INSURANCE ACT; TO REVISE THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MULTI-AGENCY INSURANCE TRUST FUND ACT; TO COMBINE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITH STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY UNDER A SINGLE PROGRAM TO ENSURE PROPER VALUATION FOR PROPERTY INSURANCE PURPOSES; TO CREATE THE STATE CAPTIVE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACT; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC ADJUSTING IN PROPERTY INSURANCE CLAIMS; TO ALLOW FOR THE CREATION OF A CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 481 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 482
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATING TO TRANSFERS OF STUDENTS BETWEEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 482 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Senate Bill No. 167 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 111 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 111 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Senate Bill No. 339 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 339 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 345 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 345 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 219 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 231 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 240 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 242 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 246 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 254 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 276 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 304 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 317 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 328 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 393 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 34, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 36, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 88, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 34 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 36 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 88 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 128, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 433, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 128 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 433 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 435, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 446, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 364, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1629, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1474, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1551, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

SENATE BILL NO. 483
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT AND THE STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT; TO REVISE CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 483 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 484
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO FILL A VACANCY ON A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 484 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 485
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUSPENDED IMPOSITION OF A SENTENCE, PROBATION, PAROLE, AND POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 485 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 486
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SAFETY AND PRIVACY IN CERTAIN ENTITIES; CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF MULTI-OCCUPANCY RESTROOMS, CHANGING ROOMS, AND SLEEPING QUARTERS IN CERTAIN ENTITIES BASED ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S SEX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 486 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 487
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW ON THE DESTRUCTION OR EXPUNGEMENT OF JUVENILE DELINQUENCY RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 487 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 488
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW ON JUVENILE DELINQUENCY; TO AMEND DEFINITIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING WHEN A JUVENILE IS CONSIDERED TO BE ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 488 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 489
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, G. STUBBLEFIELD
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, D. GARNER, D. WHITAKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT ON THE STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS IN RECOGNITION OF THE DESEGREGATION OF THE CHARLESTON AND FAYETTEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN 1954; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 489 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 490
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A COURT TO WAIVE CERTAIN FEES WHEN A JUVENILE IS ORDERED TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 490 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 491
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A VENDOR THAT CONTRACTS WITH THE OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT FOR SERVICES FOR THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION TO SUBMIT DATA FOR VERIFICATION BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A VENDOR THAT PROVIDES INACCURATE DATA; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 491 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 492
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELOCATION OF UTILITY FACILITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ACQUISITION, CONDEMNATION, AND DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY BY THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE RELOCATION OF A UTILITY FACILITY LOCATED ON A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 492 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 493

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CODE ENFORCEMENT LICENSING BOARD AND CODE ENFORCEMENT LICENSING BOARD FUND; TO TRANSFER THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HVACR LICENSING BOARD, THE ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION LICENSING BOARD, THE ELEVATOR SAFETY BOARD, THE BOILER INSPECTION DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING, AND ALL PLUMBING-RELATED FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OTHER THAN PLAN REVIEW UNDER THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH UNDER § 17-38-201 AND § 17-38-204 TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT LICENSING BOARD; TO ABOLISH THE BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HVACR LICENSING BOARD, THE ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION LICENSING BOARD, THE ELEVATOR SAFETY BOARD, AND THE COMMITTEE OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS; TO AID IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE'S ELECTRICAL, FIRE PROTECTION, HVACR, PLUMBING, BOILER AND ELEVATOR LAWS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 493 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 494
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMITS AND ANNUAL PRIVILEGE FEES UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; TO REDUCE THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF PERMITS ISSUED BY ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL; TO CONSOLIDATE SEVERAL PERMITS INTO A SINGLE PERMIT UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 494 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 495
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND DEFINITIONS USED UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "INVOICE" AND THE DEFINITION OF "INVOICE PRICE" USED UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 495 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1252

As Engrossed: H2/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE CERTIFIED COMMUNITY-BASED DOULA CERTIFICATION ACT; TO CERTIFY BIRTH AND POSTPARTUM DOULAS IN THIS STATE TO IMPROVE MATERNAL AND INFANT OUTCOMES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1252 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1300

As Engrossed: H2/20/25 H3/3/25 H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "PRIOR AUTHORIZATION" UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO CLARIFY DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES BY A UTILIZATION REVIEW ENTITY UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HEALTHCARE SERVICES FROM PRIOR AUTHORIZATION; TO CLARIFY THE DURATION OF APPROVED PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUESTS; TO CREATE A PROCESS FOR REVIEW OR APPROVAL OF A HEALTHCARE SERVICE UPON FAILURE OF A UTILIZATION REVIEW ENTITY TO COMPLY WITH THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1300 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1301

As Engrossed: H2/5/25 H2/20/25 H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1301 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1352

As Engrossed: H3/3/25 H3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BEATY, JR., *ACHOR, ANDREWS, BARKER, BECK, BENTLEY, S. BERRY, BREAUX, BROOKS, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, JOHN CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, DALBY, EATON, EVANS, FURMAN, GAZAWAY, GRAMLICH, HALL, HAWK, HOLLOWELL, L. JOHNSON, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, LYNCH, MADDOX, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, M. ELROY, MCGREW, B. MCKENZIE, MCNAIR, MILLIGAN, J, MOORE, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PIERCE, PERRY, PILKINGTON, PURYEAR, RAY, R. SCOTT, RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SCHULZ, M. SHEPHERD, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, VAUGHT, WALKER, WING, WOOTEN*

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS CONCERNING ACTIONS RELATED TO CERTAIN FOREIGN ENTITIES; TO WITHHOLD FUNDING FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH A CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE OR SIMILAR INSTITUTE RELATED TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA; TO PROHIBIT A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM INVESTING IN CHINESE FUNDS; TO PROHIBIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SISTER CITIES WITH CERTAIN PROHIBITED FOREIGN PARTIES; TO PROHIBIT THE INVESTMENT OF RETIREMENT AND PENSION FUNDS IN CHINESE FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1352 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1561

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER., *ACHOR, ANDREWS, BARKER, BEATY, JR., BECK, BENTLEY, S. BERRY, BREAUX, BROOKS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, JOHN CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, EATON, EVANS, FURMAN, GAZAWAY, GRAMLICH, HALL, HAWK, HOLLOWELL, L. JOHNSON, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, LYNCH, MADDOX, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, M. MCELROY, MCGREW, B. MCKENZIE, MCNAIR, MILLIGAN, J, MOORE, NAZARENKO, PIERCE, PERRY, PILKINGTON, PURYEAR, RAY, R. SCOTT, RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SCHULZ, M. SHEPHERD, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, VAUGHT, WALKER, WING, WOOTEN*

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ESTABLISH THE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1561 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1574

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING *PAID CANVASSERS*; TO REQUIRE DOMICILE IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1574 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1585
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FROM LICENSURE AS A HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICE TO AN ENTITY THAT SOLELY PROVIDES THERAPY SERVICES THAT ARE NOT REIMBURSED BY MEDICARE PART A; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1585 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1602
As Engrossed: H3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO ESTABLISH FEES UNDER THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER UNDER THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1602 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1618
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELECTION, APPOINTMENT, AND CONTRACTING OF A MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1618 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1645
As Engrossed: H3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MICROBREWERY-RESTAURANT PRIVATE CLUB PERMITS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ADVERTISING BY A MICROBREWERY-RESTAURANT PRIVATE CLUB; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1645 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1686
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CHILDRESS, PEARCE
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LICENSES TO CARRY CONCEALED HANDGUNS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1686 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1690
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE NUCLEAR PLANNING AND RESPONSE PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1690 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1692
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING POLYGRAPH EXAMINERS AND VOICE STRESS ANALYSIS EXAMINERS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS AND PRIVATE SECURITY AGENCIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1692 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1693
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DAMAGED OR DEFECTIVE BALLOTS; TO ALLOW THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO PROMULGATE RULES REGARDING THE DUPLICATION OF DAMAGED OR DEFECTIVE BALLOTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1693 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1694
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALTERNATIVES TO ELECTRONIC FILING FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1694 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1704
As Engrossed: H3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING CHILD CUSTODY IN MATTERS WHERE A PARENT IS A FIRST RESPONDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1704 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1712
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SOCIAL WORK LICENSURE COMPACT IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1712 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1714
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF PAID CANVASSER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1714 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1716
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVANAUGH
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES BY THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO PROHIBIT THE ASSESSMENT OF SALES AND USE TAX IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1716 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1726
As Engrossed: H3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, A. COLLINS, SPRINGER
BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS KIDS ONLINE SAFETY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1726 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 232, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 411, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 416, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 17, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1536, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. MCELROY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1467, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1690

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1253
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1628

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245 AS AMENDED NOS. 1,2, & 3
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1552 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 18, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SIXTY-FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 18, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Hill requested leave for Senator King. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Steve McCuin.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 264 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 264

Amend Senate Bill No. 264 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 2 through 23, and substitute the following:
"Working Group, to be composed of the following nine (9) members:

(1) The Secretary of the Department of Human Services, or his or her designee;

(2) The Insurance Commissioner, or his or her designee;

(3) A designee of the Arkansas Center for Health Improvement;

(4) A practicing primary care physician appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(5) A representative of the Arkansas commercial health insurance community from an Arkansas-based insurer appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(6) A pediatrician representative of the primary care community in this state appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(7) A practicing primary care physician appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

(8) An advanced practice registered nurse representative of the primary care community in this state appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

(9) A primary care physician employed by or primarily practicing in a federal qualified health center appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

(b) The practicing primary care physician appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall serve as Chair of the Arkansas Primary Care Payment Improvement Working Group and be responsible for scheduling regular meetings of the working group."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 264 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 390 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 390

Amend Senate Bill No. 390 as engrossed S3/11/25:

Delete SECTION 10 of the bill in its entirety

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 390 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 410 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 410

Amend Senate Bill No. 410 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 5, delete "basis;" and substitute "or part-time basis;"

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "Entering" and substitute "Knowingly entering"

AND

Page 2, line 17, delete "Selling" and substitute "Knowingly selling"

AND

Page 2, line 26, delete "employed" and substitute "knowingly employed"

AND

Page 2, line 30, delete "selling" and substitute "knowingly selling"

AND

Page 3, delete line 3, and substitute the following:
"required under subsection (b) of this section.

(d) This section expires on June 30, 2029, unless extended by the General Assembly."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 410 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 472 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 472

Amend Senate Bill No.472 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 26, and substitute the following:
"or both.

(e) It is not a violation of this section if the minor was acting under § 5-27-227(c)."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BRYAN KING

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 472 was ordered engrossed.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 404 was withdrawn by Senator Boyd.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No.415 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 415 was withdrawn by Senator Crowell.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 219, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 231, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 240, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 242, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 246, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 254, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 276, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 304, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 317, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 328, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 393, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:13 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

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SENATE BILL NO. 328
SENATE BILL NO. 393

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this eighteenth day of March, 2025 at 9:45 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 264, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 390, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 410, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 472, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 264 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 390 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 410 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 472 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 421, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 252, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 456, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 406, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 345, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1272, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1414, BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1725, BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO.103, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 420, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO.83, BY SENATOR JIM BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1271, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1275, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1316, BY REPRESENTATIVE ALLEN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1652, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1700, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1721, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,

report that we have had the same under consideration and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1288, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 241, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 433, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 439, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 443, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 454, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 376, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 445, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 339, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1505, BY REPRESENTATIVE WING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR R. MURDOCK

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC., FOR ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN (118) YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP IN ITS COMMUNITIES.

Senate Resolution No. 50 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 496
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLLOWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PERMITS FOR SPECIAL CARGOES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT FOR SPECIAL CARGO TRANSPORTED BY A FARM MACHINERY EQUIPMENT HAULER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 496 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 497
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LABOR; TO REQUIRE THE CREATION OF A POSTER REGARDING VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN EMPLOYERS TO DISPLAY THE POSTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 497 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 498
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE N. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF DRIVER AND VEHICLE RECORDS; TO PROTECT DRIVER AND VEHICLE RECORDS FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 498 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 499
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, HESTER, M. MCKEE, STONE, HILL, J. PETTY, FLIPPO, B. DAVIS, J. BOYD, K. HAMMER, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT AND THE STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT; TO REVISE CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 499 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 232 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 232

Amend Senate Bill No. 232 as engrossed S3/11/25:

Page 3, line 10, delete "and"

AND

Page 3, delete line 13, and substitute the following:
"meet the Multi-State Lottery Association reserve requirements; and

(iv) The amount of any accrual or other accounting adjustment that will result in a debit or credit balance in the Office of the Arkansas Lottery's Unrestricted Net Position account, except for any restricted net position account."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 232 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 364 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 364

Amend Senate Bill No. 364 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 24, delete "~~either~~ at law ~~or in equity~~" and substitute "either at law or in equity"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 364 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 402 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 402

Amend Senate Bill No. 402 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 9, delete "DISTRICT" and substitute "DISTRICT AND AN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE COOPERATIVE"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO PROHIBIT A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT AND AN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE COOPERATIVE FROM REQUIRING OR TAKING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS."

AND

Page 1, line 27, delete "district" and substitute "district and an educational service cooperative"

AND

Page 1, line 29, delete "district" and substitute "district or educational service cooperative"

AND

Page 1, line 31, delete "communications or"

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "district's" and substitute "district's or educational service cooperative's"

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "district's" and substitute "district's or educational service cooperative's"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 402 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 47 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47

Amend Senate Resolution No.47 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 22, delete the word "first" and substitute the word "second"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Resolution No. 47 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 397 at this time.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 397 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 397

Amend Senate Bill No. 397 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Rye as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 2, delete line 2, and substitute the following:
"the railroad crew involved in the fatality.

(2) A report under subdivision (a)(1) of this section is a public record as defined under § 25-19-103."

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "(2)" and substitute "(3)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 397 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 373 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 373 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 373

Amend Senate Bill No. 373 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 22, delete "~~nine (9)~~ eight (8)" and substitute "nine (9)"

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "and" and substitute "~~and~~"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 3, and substitute the following:
"financial backgrounds, ~~one (1) member of the three (3) to be a female, one (1) member of the three (3) to be a racial minority,~~ appointed by the Treasurer of State; and

(vii) One (1) member who is designated by the Secretary of State."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 373 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1167 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1167

Amend House Bill No. 1167 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1167 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1254 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1254

Amend House Bill No. 1254 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1254 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1257 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1257

Amend House Bill No. 1257 as engrossed H2/19/25:

Add Senator Irvin

AND

Page 5, line 21, delete "A technician shall be reimbursed for" and substitute "A psychologist shall be reimbursed for services provided by a technician for"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1257 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1258 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1258

Amend House Bill No. 1258 as engrossed H2/13/25:

Add Senator Irvin

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1258 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1474 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1474

Amend House Bill No. 1474 as engrossed S3/11/25:

Add Senator G. Leding as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(3) A private club that has a liquor permit for on-premises consumption and does not hold itself out to be a food service establishment;

(4) An airport;"

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "~~(5)~~(4)" and substitute "(5)"

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "~~(6)~~(5)" and substitute "(6)"

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "~~(7)~~(6)" and substitute "(7)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 6, and substitute the following:
"food, fuel, shower or other sanitary facilities, and overnight parking; and"

AND

Page 2, line 8, delete "(7)" and substitute "(8)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1474 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1673 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1673

Amend House Bill No. 1673 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1673 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1551 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1551

Amend House Bill No. 1551 as engrossed H3/12/25:

Add Senator Gilmore

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1551 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 322 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 322

As Engrossed: S3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT; TO ALLOW THIRD PARTIES TO PERFORM PLAN REVIEWS AND SITE INSPECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 322 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 322. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 322 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 48 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 48
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE PARALYMPIC MEDALIST OLIVIA CHAMBERS OF LITTLE ROCK FOR HER REMARKABLE GIFTS AND INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENTS THAT BRING RENOWN TO HER AND TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 48 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 367 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 367
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN FUND FOR POLLUTION CONTROL AND PREVENTION TECHNOLOGIES ACT; TO REPEAL THE SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 367 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 367.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 367 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 391 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 391
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ROBOTICS COMPETITION GRANT PROGRAM FOR ELIGIBLE ROBOTICS TEAMS IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING STUDY IN THE FIELDS OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 391 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 391. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 391 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 435 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 435
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF AGGRAVATED ASSAULT UPON A HEALTHCARE WORKER; TO DEFINE "HEALTHCARE WORKER" REGARDING ASSAULT AND BATTERY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 435 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 435.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Sullivan.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Payton.

Total 1

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.435 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 446 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 446
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO AMEND THE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READER SYSTEM ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS BY PRIVATE LANDOWNERS, PRIVATE LEASEHOLDER, AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 446 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 446. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Payton.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 446 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1169 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1169

As Engrossed: H1/30/25 H2/6/25 H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR AN INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT TO INCLUDE A PERSON WHO IS IN A MENTAL CONDITION AS A RESULT OF A MEDICAL CONDITION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1169 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.

Senator Davis closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Sullivan.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dees, Flippo, Hickey, Rice.

Total 5

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Clark, Hill, Murdock, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1169 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1291 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1291
As Engrossed: H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WING, *J. RICHARDSON*
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MINIMUM WAGE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO THE MINIMUM WAGE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS IMPACTING THE LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 5 OF 2018; TO ADD CERTAIN MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS TO THE EXCLUSIONS FROM THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYEE"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1291 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1291. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Johnson, M..

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1291 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1398 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1398

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOLS TO SUPPORT, ESTABLISH, AND IMPLEMENT A CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN THAT INTEGRATES NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ELEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1398 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1398. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1398 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1488 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1488
As Engrossed: H3/6/25 S3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO AMEND THE STANDARD NONFORFEITURE LAW FOR LIFE INSURANCE; TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO PAY INTEREST ON DEFERRED PAYMENT OF ANY CASH SURRENDER VALUE UNDER CERTAIN POLICIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1488 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1488. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1488 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1575 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1575

As Engrossed: H2/27/25 H3/3/25 H3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, *UNGER*

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PERSON THAT IS EMPLOYED OR HAS A DIRECT OR INDIRECT FINANCIAL INTEREST IN A FIRM, BUSINESS, OR ORGANIZATION THAT OWNS, OPERATES, REPRESENTS, OR APPLIES FOR A SOLID WASTE LICENSE OR PERMIT FROM SERVING AS A MEMBER ON CERTAIN COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1575 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1575. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Hill.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Flowers, Payton, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1575 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1586 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1586
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID WAIVER FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER TO CLARIFY THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF QUALIFIED PROFESSIONALS TO DIAGNOSE AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1586 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1586. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Stubblefield.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1586 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1597 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1597

As Engrossed: S3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1597 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1597. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1597 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1601 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1601

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, *MCGRUDER*

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REQUIRE STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO PROVIDE CAREER COUNSELING AND OTHER RESOURCES TO CERTAIN STUDENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1601 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1601. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1601 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1629 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1629
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PERMIT A RETIRING PROSECUTING ATTORNEY TO BE AWARDED HIS OR HER SERVICE FIREARM UPON RETIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1629 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1629. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1629 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1643 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1643

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIRING PRACTICES; TO ALLOW A CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYER TO DISCLOSE SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OR HARASSMENT BY THE CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYEE TO A PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER UPON WRITTEN CONSENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1643 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1643. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1643 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1644 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1644
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF A RETIRED JUDGE APPOINTED AS A SPECIAL JUDGE; TO CLARIFY THAT A RETIRED JUDGE MAY SERVE AS A SPECIAL JUDGE IMMEDIATELY UPON RETIREMENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1644 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1644. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1644, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1644 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1661 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1661
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING STATE DISTRICT COURTS; TO ELIMINATE THE OBLIGATION OF CITIES AND COUNTIES TO PAY THE SALARIES OF STATE DISTRICT COURT JUDGES; TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING DISTRICT COURT CLERKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1661 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1661. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Gilmore.

Total 1

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dismang, Dotson, Hammer, Hill, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Tucker.

Total 9

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1661 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1689 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1689
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, EUBANKS
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL TO GRANT ACCESS TO ITS FACILITIES TO OFFICIAL RECRUITING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MILITARY; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN STATE-SUPPORTED POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS TO GRANT ACCESS TO ITS FACILITIES TO OFFICIAL RECRUITING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MILITARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1689 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1689. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1689 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 266 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 266 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 266

Amend Senate Bill No. 266 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 9, delete "SCHOOL CHAPLAINS" and substitute "STUDENT MENTORS"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AUTHORIZE A PUBLIC SCHOOL TO ADOPT A POLICY FOR ONE OR MORE STUDENT MENTORS."

AND

Page 1, line 21, delete "School chaplain" and substitute "Student mentor"

AND

Page 1, line 22, delete "more school" and substitute "more student"

AND

Page 1, line 23, delete "chaplains" and substitute "mentors"

AND

Page 1, line 29, delete "school chaplain" and substitute "student mentor"

AND

Page 1, delete line 31, and substitute the following:
"director, as relevant, that has a student mentor or student mentors under"

AND

Page 1, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"and programs provided by the student mentor or students mentors; and"

AND

Page 1, line 36, delete "school chaplain" and substitute "student mentor"

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "one (1) school" and substitute "one (1) student"

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "chaplain" and substitute "mentor"

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "school chaplain" and substitute "student mentor"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 4 and 5, and substitute the following:
"provided by a public school."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 7 and 8, and substitute the following:
"section shall publish a list of student mentors, which may include without limitation school chaplains, and any religious affiliation of the student mentor, if applicable, employed by or accepted as a volunteer at the public school"

AND

Page 2, line 10, delete "school chaplain" and substitute "student mentor"

AND

Page 2, line 17, delete "school chaplain's" and substitute "student mentor's"

AND

Page 2, line 26, delete "school chaplain" and substitute "student mentor"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 266 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 232, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY,
SENATE BILL NO. 364, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 402, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 373, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 397, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 373 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 397 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1167, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1254, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1257, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1258, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1474, BY REPRESENTATIVE CARR,
BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1551, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1673, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 51
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE BENTON HIGH SCHOOL PANTHERS BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 51 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 500
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HALL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LEVEE DISTRICTS; TO ALLOW A LEVEE DISTRICT CREATED BY AN ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ADOPT PROCEDURE CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 500 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 501
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ENNETT, J. RICHARDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE TENANT POSSESSIONS RECOVERY ACT; TO REQUIRE A LANDLORD TO PROVIDE CERTAIN NOTICE TO A TENANT WHEN A COURT HAS ISSUED A WRIT OF POSSESSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 501 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 502

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING ACT OF 1965; TO REQUIRE THE ELECTRONIC FILING OF A FORM 1099 IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 502 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 503

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING ACT OF 1965; TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AN EMPLOYER MUST HAVE TO BE MANDATED TO FILE AN ANNUAL WITHHOLDING STATEMENT ELECTRONICALLY; TO REQUIRE THE ELECTRONIC FILING OF A WITHHOLDING RETURN FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 503 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 504
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS RURAL PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 504 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 505
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL PLANNING; TO REQUIRE AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE FOR CHANGES TO THE ZONING OR DISTRICT DESIGNATION OF PROPERTY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 505 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 506
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO REPEAL THE EXEMPTION CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DATA INFORMATION MAINTAINED BY A DISASTER RECOVERY SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 506 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 507
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, D. GARNER, ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO COVER APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS SERVICES FOR CERTAIN BENEFICIARIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 507 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

March 18, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President Pro Tempore:

This is to inform you that on March 18, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly:

SB101-	ACT 300
SB222-	ACT 301
SB298-	ACT 320
SB300-	ACT 321
SB301-	ACT 322
SB200-	ACT 329
SB263-	ACT 330
SB334-	ACT 331
SB335-	ACT 332
SB337-	ACT 333
SB246-	ACT 340
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Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Ann Cornwell, Director/Secretary of the Arkansas Senate

SENATE BILL NO. 508

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF PAYMENT OF A STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF PAYMENT OF A STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 508 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 509

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF THEFT OF EQUIPMENT RENTAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 509 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 510
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE CROSS DEPUTIZATION OF MUNICIPAL, COUNTY, STATE, AND TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ON FEDERALLY-RECOGNIZED TRIBAL LAND WITHIN THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 510 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1633, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,
BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 266, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 266 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Senate Bill No. 22 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 38 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 42 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 270 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 307 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 333 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 336 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 118 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 118 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Senate Bill No. 189 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

SENATE BILL NO. 511
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE IMPAIRMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 511 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 512
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ROBBERY AND AGGRAVATED ROBBERY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 512 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 513
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF MAIL THEFT; TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF THEFT OR UNAUTHORIZED REPRODUCTION OF A MAIL RECEPTACLE KEY OR LOCK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 513 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 514

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A SKIMMER; TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR THE UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A SKIMMER FOR REPEAT OFFENDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 514 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1079

As Engrossed: H1/30/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES F. ALLEN, WOOTEN,

K. FERGUSON, J. RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR GENETIC TESTING FOR AN INHERITED GENE MUTATION FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS; TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR EVIDENCE-BASED CANCER IMAGING FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1079 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1147

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1147 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1246

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT RICH MOUNTAIN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1246 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1303

As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES JEAN, ET AL

BY: SENATORS STONE, J. BOYD, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, FLIPPO, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE TAX INCENTIVES RELATED TO SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL; TO CREATE THE SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL INCENTIVE ACT; TO CREATE *AN INCOME* TAX !CREDIT RELATED TO SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL; AND FOR^

House Bill No. 1303 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1509

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT FINANCIAL PRIVACY ACT; TO PROHIBIT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FROM USING CERTAIN DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1509 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1582

As Engrossed: H3/6/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, ROSE, UNDERWOOD

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW; TO REQUIRE THE *STATE-MAINTAINED JOB BOARD* TO MATCH AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A JOB; TO !ENCOURAGE^ AN INDIVIDUAL TO APPLY FOR A JOB AS PART OF HIS OR HER WORK SEARCH CONTACTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1582 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1598

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE SCHOOL RATING SYSTEM; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A NEW ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS; TO REMOVE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SCHOOL RATINGS FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL YEARS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1598 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1604

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, *ACHOR, ET AL*

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROHIBITED CONTRACTS BY STATE AGENCIES; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY STATE AGENCIES TO PURCHASE PROMOTIONAL ITEMS MADE IN CHINA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1604 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1622

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "ADVERSE DECISION" UNDER THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RECONSIDERATION UNDER THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1622 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1637

As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RAY , *S. MEEKS*

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT AND PRESENTATION OF FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENTS CONCERNING THE FISCAL IMPACT OF STATEWIDE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM MEASURES AND LEGISLATIVELY REFERRED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1637 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 322

SENATE BILL NO. 367

SENATE BILL NO. 391

SENATE BILL NO. 435

SENATE BILL NO. 446

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 270

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED
AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 22

SENATE BILL NO. 38

SENATE BILL NO. 42

SENATE BILL NO. 307

SENATE BILL NO. 333

SENATE BILL NO. 336

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 118 AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE BILL NO. 189 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1079

HOUSE BILL NO. 1303

HOUSE BILL NO. 1509

HOUSE BILL NO. 1582

HOUSE BILL NO. 1598

HOUSE BILL NO. 1604

HOUSE BILL NO. 1622

HOUSE BILL NO. 1637

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1147
HOUSE BILL NO. 1246

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1169
HOUSE BILL NO. 1291
HOUSE BILL NO. 1398
HOUSE BILL NO. 1575
HOUSE BILL NO. 1586
HOUSE BILL NO. 1601
HOUSE BILL NO. 1629
HOUSE BILL NO. 1643
HOUSE BILL NO. 1661
HOUSE BILL NO. 1689

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED / EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1644

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1488 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1597 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 19, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SIXTY-SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 19, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS,, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Scott requested leave for Senator Dees. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor D. L. Richardson.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 400 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 400

Amend Senate Bill 400 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 21, delete "Districts" and substitute "Districts — Definition"

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "a member" and substitute "an ex officio member"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 3 through 4, and substitute the following:
"(e) An exhibitor may participate in one (1) district fair of his or her choice."

AND

Page 3, delete line 34, and substitute the following:
"subsection (g).

(h) As used in this section, "fair" means an event that includes without limitation livestock shows, consumer and family science, entertainment, and educational activities and programs."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 400 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 455 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 455

Amend Senate Bill No. 455 as originally introduced:

Page 5, delete line 9, and substitute the following:

"(a) A hemp product that is sold at retail in this state shall be sold in a serving size that contains no more than fifty milligrams (50 mg) in the aggregate of one (1) or more hemp-derived cannabinoids.

(b) Arkansas Tobacco Control shall regulate and enforce the provisions"

AND

Page 5, line 11, delete "(b)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 3 through 7, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) Hemp products in this state shall be tested by an ISO/IEC 17025 accredited testing laboratory that is accredited by a Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated recognized accreditation body or an equivalent body.

(2) The laboratory shall be accredited to the current ISO/IEC 17025 standard with the scope of the accreditation including hemp and hemp products."

AND

Page 47, delete line 8, and substitute the following:

"~~earlier than August 1, 2023.~~

SECTION 16. Contingent effective date based on litigation.

(a) This act shall be effective one hundred twenty (120) days after a final judgement in the case of Bio Gen LLC, et al v. Sanders, et al, 0860-4: 4:23-cv-00718-BRW, and any subsequent dockets or actions concerning Acts 2023, No. 629, only if, and to the extent that, that the final judgement does not uphold the legality of Acts 2023, No. 629.

(b) If the final judgment in the case referenced in subsection (a) of this section does not uphold the legality of Acts 2023, No. 629, this act shall take effect as stated in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) If the final judgement in the case referenced in subsection (a) of this section does uphold the legality of Acts 2023, No. 629, this act shall be repealed in its entirety and may be removed by the Code Revisor."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 455 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 475 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 475

Amend Senate Bill No. 475 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 20, delete "independent"

AND

Page 2, line 29, delete "an independent pharmacy" and substitute "a pharmacy"

AND

Page 2, line 31, delete "an independent pharmacy" and substitute "a pharmacy"

AND

Page 3, line 29, delete "an independent pharmacy" and substitute "a pharmacy"

AND

Page 3, line 34, delete "independent"

AND

Page 4, line 13, delete "an independent pharmacy" and substitute "a pharmacy"

AND

Page 4, line 14, delete "independent"

AND

Page 4, line 26, delete "independent"

AND

Page 4, line 36, delete "independent"

AND

Page 5, line 20, delete "an independent" and substitute "a"

AND

Page 5, line 23, delete "of an" and substitute "of a"

AND

Page 5, line 24, delete "independent"

AND

Page 5, line 29, delete "independent"

AND

Page 6, line 6, delete "independent"

AND

Page 6, line 9, delete "an independent" and substitute "a"

AND

Page 6, line 19, delete "independent"

AND

Page 6, line 27, delete "an independent" and substitute "a"

AND

Page 6, line 28, delete "independent"

AND

Page 6, line 35, delete "an independent pharmacy" and substitute "a pharmacy"

AND

Page 7, line 2, delete "independent"

AND

Page 7, line 6, delete "an independent pharmacy" and substitute "a pharmacy"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 475 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1656 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1656

Amend House Bill 1656 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 28 and 29

AND

Page 1, line 30, delete "(d)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 3, delete line 6, and substitute the following:
"lease obligations with the royalty owner.

(f) This section is not applicable to any producing unit or well that produces liquid hydrocarbons only, liquid hydrocarbons associated with the production of gas, or gas produced associated with the production of liquid hydrocarbons.

(g) This section is applicable only to unconventional sources of supply drilling as defined by Oil and Gas Commission rule, 15 CAR § 275-230, as it existed on March 18, 2025."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1656 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 19 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Joint Resolution No. 19 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 23 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Joint Resolution No. 23 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, and without objection, the Senate was requested to return Senate Bill No. 309 for further consideration.

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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March 19, 2025

The Honorable Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk
State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks:

The Senate respectfully requests the return to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 309.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell
Secretary of the Senate

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025>

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 22, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 38, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 42, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 270, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 307, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 333, BY SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS,
SENATE BILL NO. 336, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 8:54 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 22
SENATE BILL NO. 38
SENATE BILL NO. 42
SENATE BILL NO. 270
SENATE BILL NO. 307
SENATE BILL NO. 333
SENATE BILL NO. 336

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this nineteenth day of March, 2025 at 8:54 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 400, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 455 BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 475, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 400 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 455 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 475 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1656, BY REPRESENTATIVE BECK,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1656 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 373, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 390, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE-CHAIR

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 277, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 457, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 325, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 326, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 487, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 459, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 490, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1704, BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1669, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 422, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1129, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1386, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1497, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1444, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 52
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE BRYANT HIGH SCHOOL HORNETS BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 52 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 515
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, J. BOYD, F. LOVE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES NAZARENKO, GRAMLICH, HALL, PURYEAR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HISTORY UNIT REQUIREMENT IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; TO REQUIRE THAT A UNIT DEDICATED TO ARKANSAS VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES BE INCLUDED WITHIN EXISTING ARKANSAS HISTORY COURSE CONTENT GUIDELINES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 515 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 516
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING AS A CANDIDATE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A PREFIX IN FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE BY AN APPOINTEE TO A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE; TO ALLOW A PERSON FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OR JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS WHO IS SERVING IN THAT POSITION AS AN APPOINTEE TO USE THE TITLE OF THAT POSITION AS A PREFIX WHEN FILING AS A CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 516 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 517
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS; TO ALLOW A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO DESIGNATE A RESTROOM FOR CAMPAIGN WORKERS AND VOLUNTEERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 517 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 518
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO REGULATE DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF LAND IN A FLOOD-PRONE AREA; TO PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM ENACTING REGULATIONS IN A FLOOD-PRONE AREA THAT ARE MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM WITHOUT COMPENSATION FOR DIMINUTION IN VALUE OF THE AREA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 518 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Memorial Resolution No. 5 was called up for third reading.

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 5
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO REMEMBER PASTOR ROBERT J. JENKINS FOR HIS GOOD WORKS AND DEVOTED SERVICE IN HIS COMMUNITY AND THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 5 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Murdock, Senate Resolution No. 50 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR R. MURDOCK

SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC., FOR ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN (118) YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP IN ITS COMMUNITIES.

Senate Resolution 50 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 309 was returned from the House as requested.

Senate Bill No. 309 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 189

Amend Senate Bill 189 as engrossed S3/3/25:

Add Senators J. Bryant, F. Love

AND

Add Representatives K. Brown, Crawford, Torres

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 189 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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On motion of Senator Clark, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 189

As Engrossed: S2/20/25 S2/24/25 S3/3/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, CALDWELL, CROWELL, FLIPPO, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE, DEES, *J. BRYANT, F. LOVE*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, A. BROWN, HALL, LONG, WOMACK, LUNDSTRUM, K. BROWN, CRAWFORD, TORRES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IVERMECTIN FOR HUMAN USE TO BE SOLD WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION OR CONSULTATION WITH A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 189 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 189. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered enrolled.

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 189 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 19, 2025.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 339 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 339

Amend Senate Bill 339 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Bentley

AND

Page 1, line 25, delete "biannually" and substitute "biennially"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 339 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 339 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 339

As Engrossed: H3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHILD MALTREATMENT INVESTIGATIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 339 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 339. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer , Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 339 was ordered enrolled.

Senator Tucker moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 189 passed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 189 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 189

As Engrossed: S2/20/25 S2/24/25 S3/3/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, CALDWELL, CROWELL, FLIPPO, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE, DEES, *J. BRYANT, F. LOVE*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, A. BROWN, HALL, LONG, WOMACK, LUNDSTRUM, K. BROWN, CRAWFORD, TORRES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IVERMECTIN FOR HUMAN USE TO BE SOLD WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION OR CONSULTATION WITH A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 189 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 189 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 345 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 345

Amend Senate Bill 345 as originally introduced:

Page 7, delete lines 25 through 27

AND

Page 7, delete line 28, delete "(i)" and substitute "~~(i)~~(h)

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 345 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 345 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 345

As Engrossed: H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROMOTE TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BY IMPROVING EFFICIENCY OF THE PRIVATE CLUB PERMITTING PROCESS OF HOTELS, RESTAURANTS, AND LARGE-EVENT FACILITIES; TO REMOVE AN OVERLY BURDENSOME TAX REQUIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 345 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 345. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Love.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Hammer.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 345 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 49 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 49
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR SCULPTOR KEVIN KRESSE FOR CREATING THE SCULPTURE OF ARKANSAS MUSIC ICON JOHNNY CASH NOW ON DISPLAY IN THE NATIONAL STATUARY HALL COLLECTION IN THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 49 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 83 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 83

Amend Senate Bill No. 83 as engrossed S3/4/25:

Page 6, delete line 31, and substitute the following:
"the same rate as specified under § 23-79-2904(a)."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 83 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 376 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 376

Amend Senate Bill No. 376 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, all meetings, formal or informal, special or regular, of more than two (2) members of the governing bodies of all municipalities, counties, townships, and school districts and all boards, bureaus, commissions, or organizations of the State of Arkansas, except grand juries, supported wholly or in part by public funds or expending public funds, shall be public meetings.

(2) If two (2) members of a governing body discuss a matter upon which action may be taken by the governing body outside of a public meeting of the governing body, the two (2) members of the governing body are prohibited from disclosing the opinion or position of another member on the matter with other members of the governing body."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 4

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 376 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 406

Amend Senate Bill No. 406 as engrossed S3/17/25:

Add Representative Warren

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 406 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 445 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 445

Amend Senate Bill No. 445 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 29, delete "at" and substitute "as"

AND

Page 1, line 30, delete "office" and substitute "official"

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 445 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 46 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 46

Amend Resolution Bill No. 46 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Missy Irvin as a cosponsor of the resolution

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Resolution No. 46 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1268 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1268

Amend House Bill No. 1268 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. Scott

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1268 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1288 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1288

Amend House Bill No. 1288 as engrossed H2/27/25:

Add Senator Irvin as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1288 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 103 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 103
As Engrossed: S3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, *IRVIN, M. JOHNSON*
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE'S ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO AMEND THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; TO CREATE THE PHARMACY NONDISCRIMINATION ACT; TO REQUIRE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS TO ACCEPT ANY PHARMACY OR PHARMACIST WILLING TO ACCEPT RELEVANT AND REASONABLE TERMS OF PARTICIPATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 103 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 103. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 103, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of their emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 103 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 232 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 232

As Engrossed: S2/25/25 S3/11/25 S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HICKEY

BY: REPRESENTATIVE COZART

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "LOTTERY PROCEEDS"; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "NET PROCEEDS"; TO AMEND THE CONTENTS OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT; TO PROVIDE THAT THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS ARE EXPENSES OF THE DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT WILL CONTINUE TO BE REIMBURSED BY THE OFFICE OF THE ARKANSAS LOTTERY USING LOTTERY NET PROCEEDS; TO ELIMINATE THE SCHOLARSHIP SHORTFALL RESERVE TRUST ACCOUNT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No.232 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.232. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 232, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 232 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 241 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 241
As Engrossed: S3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PILKINGTON, *CLOWNEY, WOOLDRIDGE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; TO GRANT PAID LEAVE TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S FAMILY MEMBER OR CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 241 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Hickey, Irvin.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Gilmore.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 241 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

` Senator M. Johnson moved that the vote by which Senate Bill No. 241 passed be reconsidered and motion be laid upon the table. Motion prevailed, laid upon the table.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 252 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 252

As Engrossed: S2/25/25 S3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF HEALTH RISKS CAUSED BY VAPOR PRODUCTS AND E-LIQUID PRODUCTS; TO PREVENT CONTAMINATION, ADULTERATION, OR INCLUSION OF INGREDIENTS OR OTHER SUBSTANCES IN VAPOR PRODUCTS OR E-LIQUID PRODUCTS THAT MIGHT CAUSE HARM TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ARKANSAS YOUTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 252 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 252. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 252 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 364 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 364
As Engrossed: S3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES RELATED TO CONTRACTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 364 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 364. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 364 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 402 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 402

As Engrossed: S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PUBLIC SCHOOL *DISTRICT AND AN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE COOPERATIVE* FROM REQUIRING OR TAKING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 402 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Love, Tucker.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Clark, Dismang.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 402 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 411 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 411
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE HEIGHT OF VEHICLES; TO CREATE AN OFFENSE FOR THE OPERATION OF A VEHICLE WITH A MODIFIED BUMPER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 411 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Clark, Davis, Dotson, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Gilmore, Hickey, King.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang, Murdock.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 411 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 416 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 416

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM; TO REPEAL THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 416 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 416. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Tucker.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 416 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 420 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 420

As Engrossed: S3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BEATY JR., L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR WATER DEVELOPMENT STATE PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE WATER AUTHORITY ACT; TO AMEND THE USES OF THE CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE REVOLVING LOAN FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 420 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke against the bill.

Senator Hammer spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flippo, Hickey, Johnson, M., King, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flowers, Leding.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 420 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 421 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 421
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF WATER, WASTE DISPOSAL, POLLUTION CONTROL, ABATEMENT AND PREVENTION, DRAINAGE, IRRIGATION, FLOOD CONTROL, AND WETLANDS AND AQUATIC RESOURCES PROJECTS TO SERVE THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, IN TOTAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS ($500,000,000) WITH NO MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS ($165,000,000) IN TOTAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF IRRIGATION FACILITIES, IN SERIES FROM TIME TO TIME IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS NOT TO EXCEED, WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SIXTY MILLION DOLLARS ($60,000,000) IN ANY TWO-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1 OF EACH ODD-NUMBERED YEAR; SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AT THE 2026 GENERAL ELECTION OR A SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED FOR THAT PURPOSE; PRESCRIBING OTHER RELATED MATTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 421 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.

Senator Hester closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Hickey, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Dotson, King.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Murdock.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 421 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 433 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 433

As Engrossed: S3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. DOTSON, *M. MCKEE, J. BOYD, A. CLARK, DEES, K. HAMMER, C. PENZO, STONE*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES A. BROWN, *BENTLEY, BREAUX, N. BURKES, LONG, MCGREW, S. MEEKS*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING THE DISPLAY OF THE NATIONAL MOTTO AND THE TEN COMMANDMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 433 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

Senator Hammer spoke for the bill.

Senator Dotson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Hickey, Murdock, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

Senate Bill No. 433 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 439
As Engrossed: S3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE *DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1914; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 439 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang spoke on the bill.

Senator Irvin requested Senate Bill No. 439 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 443 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 443
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF APPRAISERS, ABSTRACTERS, AND HOME INSPECTORS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LICENSURE OF ABSTRACTERS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LICENSURE OF HOME INSPECTORS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 443 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 443. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Gilmore.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No.443, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Gilmore.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 443 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 454 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 454
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING UNCLAIMED PROPERTY FUNDS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY FUNDS; TO CREATE THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY INTEREST TRUST FUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 454 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 454. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 454, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 454 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1167 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1167

As Engrossed: S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; TO CLARIFY THAT DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INCLUDES DIABETIC SHOES AND SHOE INSERTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1167 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1167. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1167 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1254 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1254
As Engrossed: S3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSED PSYCHOLOGICAL PRACTITIONER TO PRACTICE INDEPENDENTLY IN THIS STATE; TO REMOVE THE INDEPENDENT PRACTICE PRIVILEGES FROM PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1254 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1254. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: McKee.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Johnson, M., C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1254 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1257 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1257

As Engrossed: H2/19/25 S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE LIMITATION OF THE PRACTICE OF NEUROPSYCHOLOGY FROM TECHNICIANS EMPLOYED BY PSYCHOLOGISTS; TO ALLOW PSYCHOLOGY TECHNICIANS TO BE EMPLOYED BY PSYCHOLOGISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1257 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1257. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Johnson, M..

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

House Bill No. 1257 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1258 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1258
As Engrossed: H2/13/25 S3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER ACT; TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE CERTIFICATION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1258 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1258. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: McKee.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Clark, Dotson.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1258 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 4:47 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1271 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1271

As Engrossed: S3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MECHANICS' AND MATERIALMEN'S LIENS; TO CLARIFY THE PRIORITY OF LIENS IN MORTGAGE CONSTRUCTION LOANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1271 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1271. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1271 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1272 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1272
As Engrossed: H3/4/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROPERTY VACATED BY *A MUNICIPALITY*; TO REQUIRE VESTED ABANDONED PROPERTY BE CONVEYED WITH THE ABUTTING REAL ESTATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1272 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 13

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hill, Johnson, M., Love, Payton, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Clark, Dismang, English, Hickey, Irvin, King, Leding, McKee, Murdock.

Total 10

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Hammer, Johnson, B.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 24

Necessary to the passage of the bill.....18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1272 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1272 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 19, 2025.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1275 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1275

As Engrossed: H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES PROVIDED FOR TREATMENT OF A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1275 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1275. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1275 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Flippo, House Bill No. 1276 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1276
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SPOUSAL RETIREMENT BENEFITS OF CITY ATTORNEYS OF CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS AND CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, DEPUTY CITY CLERKS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, MAYORS IN CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, AND TREASURERS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1276 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dotson.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Gilmore.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1276 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1316 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1316

As Engrossed: H2/18/25 H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES F. ALLEN, *WOOTEN, J. RICHARDSON, K. FERGUSON*

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR LUNG CANCER SCREENINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1316 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1316. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1316 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1414 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1414
As Engrossed: H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ANDREWS, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CLAIMS FOR FIRE SERVICES; TO UPDATE THE SCHEDULE OF EQUIPMENT RATES USED IN CLAIMS FOR FIRE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Hammer requested that House Bill No. 1414 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1474 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1474
As Engrossed: H2/18/25 H2/24/25 S3/11/25 S3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES JOEY CARR, LUNDSTRUM
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, *G. LEDING*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO REQUIRE THE DISPLAY OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1474 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1474. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1474 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1505 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1505

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WING, *BARKER, FURMAN, L. JOHNSON, MCALINDON, RYE*

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED A TRAUMATIC EVENT; TO OFFER LICENSED COUNSELING TO PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED A TRAUMATIC EVENT; TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC EMPLOYER TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR LICENSED COUNSELING FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE WHO HAS EXPERIENCED A TRAUMATIC *EVENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY*; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1505 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1505. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: McKee, Sullivan.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1505, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: McKee, Sullivan.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1505 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1536 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1536
As Engrossed: S3/11/25 S3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCELROY
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL BUS PASSENGER RESTRAINT SYSTEMS; TO WITHHOLD STATE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING FROM A SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE PASSENGER RESTRAINT SYSTEMS IN SCHOOL BUSES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1536 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan spoke against the bill.
Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.
Senator Flowers spoke against the bill.
Senator Wallace closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Clark, Love, Petty, Wallace.

Total 4

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 25

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang, King, Leding, Murdock, Stubblefield.

Total 5

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1551 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1551

As Engrossed: H3/12/25 S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL ABORTION; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF COERCED CRIMINAL ABORTION BY MEANS OF FRAUD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1551 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1551. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1551 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1633 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1633
As Engrossed: H3/10/25 S3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, EVANS, M. SHEPHERD, HAWK, *MCGRUDER*
BY: SENATORS HESTER, J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR HOMESCHOOLED STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES THAT ARE ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS; TO AMEND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS WHO TRANSFER SCHOOLS UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT TO PARTICIPATE IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES; TO AMEND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS WHO TRANSFER SCHOOLS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015 TO PARTICIPATE IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1633 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke against the bill.

Senator Irvin spoke against the bill.

Senator Mark Johnson spoke against the bill.

Senator Flowers moved for immediate consideration. The motion failed.

A roll call was requested. Five hands were seen.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, M., Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 14

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., King, McKee, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 16

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Irvin, Leding, Payton, Rice.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

Senator Hester closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Irvin, Johnson, M., Love, C. Penzo, Scott, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill.....18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1633, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Irvin, Johnson, M., Love, C. Penzo, Scott, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the bill passed and the Emergency Clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Hester moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause only on House Bill No. 1633 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of House Bill No.1633 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 19, 2025.

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1633, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Clark, Scott, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Leding, Love, Murdock.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Johnson, M., C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1633 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1647 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1647
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1647 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1647. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1647, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1647 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1673 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1673

As Engrossed: S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BARBERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1673 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1673. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Dotson, Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1673 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1700 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1721 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1721
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING GREYHOUND RACING; TO AMEND SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO PROHIBIT GREYHOUND RACING AND SIMULCASTING OF GREYHOUND RACING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1721 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1721. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1721 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1725 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1725
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1725 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator Davis closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Leding, Love, Petty, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 15

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dotson, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan.
Total 14
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, Flippo, King.
Total 3
EXCUSED: Dees.
Total 1
VOTING PRESENT: Murdock, Scott.
Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Davis moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1725 failed to pass be expunged. The motion failed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1725 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 20, 2025.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 46, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 83, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 376, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 406, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 445, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO.1268, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNGER,
BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
HOUSE BILL NO.1288, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 264, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 460, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 473, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 9, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 285, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 371, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 111, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1382, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

Senator Dismang motioned to hold House Bill No. 1725 in the Senate Chamber. The motion carried.

SENATE BILL NO. 519
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STANDARD NONFORFEITURE LAW FOR LIFE INSURANCE; TO REGULATE THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON DEFERRED PAYMENT OF ANY CASH SURRENDER VALUE ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 519 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 520
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION OFFICES, OFFICERS, POLICIES, OR PRACTICES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 520 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 521
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT; TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD AFTER COMPLETION OF TRAINING FOR WHICH REIMBURSEMENT IS REQUIRED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 521 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 522
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS, SCIENCES, AND THE ARTS; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO THE TUITION AND FEES PAID BY STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE ONLINE PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 522 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 523
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A PRIVATE CLUB BE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 523 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 524
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, HESTER, J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE THE OPERATION OF AN ILLEGAL ONLINE CASINO OR SPORTS BETTING A FELONY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INTERACTIVE GAMING; TO CREATE THE INTERACTIVE GAMING ACT; TO EXPAND INTERACTIVE GAMING TO INCLUDE NAME, IMAGE, OR LIKENESS DRAWING GAMES AND CASINO GAMING; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 524 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 525
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCORPORATION AND ORGANIZATION OF MUNICIPALITIES; TO TRANSFER INCORPORATION DUTIES TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 525 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 526
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, G. STUBBLEFIELD, STONE, D. WALLACE, J. PETTY, DEES, C. TUCKER, J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF DISPOSABLE VAPOR PRODUCTS FROM A PROHIBITED FOREIGN PARTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 526 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 527
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, HESTER, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, J. BOYD, B. JOHNSON, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME ACT OF 2021; TO INCREASE THE MEDICAL-LOSS RATIO IN THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TO OBTAIN PHARMACY REBATES UNDER THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 527 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 528
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE OFFICE OF SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND THE CAREER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD; TO ADDRESS THE POWERS AND DUTIES RELATED TO SECONDARY TECHNICAL CENTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 528 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 529
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INDEPENDENT TAX APPEALS COMMISSION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 529 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 530
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BECK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WOOD ENERGY PRODUCTS AND FOREST MAINTENANCE INCOME TAX CREDIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 530 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1293
As Engrossed: H2/3/25 H3/6/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DEATH BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY; TO INCREASE THE PAYMENT OF A CLAIM TO DESIGNATED BENEFICIARIES OR SURVIVORS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1293 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1313
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXPAND HEALTH BENEFIT COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN FIREFIGHTER RETIREES OF MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1313 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1322
As Engrossed: H2/26/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING LINE-OF-DUTY DEATH FROM OCCUPATIONAL CANCER; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1322 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1327
As Engrossed: H2/25/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN RETIRED EMPLOYEES UNDER THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1327 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1468
As Engrossed: H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES COZART, HAWK
BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CLAIMS *HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS, RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS, AND SUPPLIERS* CONSTRUCTION DEFECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1468 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1619
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SET ADMINISTRATION FEES UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR IMMUNIZATIONS AND MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES FOR RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS DISEASE; TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF IMMUNIZATIONS AND MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES FOR RESPIRATORY SYNCYTICAL VIRUS DISEASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1619 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1640

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DUKE

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING ETHICAL GUIDELINES AND PROHIBITIONS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "ADMINISTRATOR" AS IT RELATES TO ETHICAL GUIDELINES AND PROHIBITIONS; TO AMEND THE RESTRICTIONS ON EMPLOYMENT SPECIFIC TO PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1640 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1688

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A DEALER'S EXTRA LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1688 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1697
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PROVISIONAL POSITIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING MOTOR VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1697 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1705
As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUKE, ET AL
BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, *J. DOTSON*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION BE EMBEDDED INTO EXISTING SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS; TO REQUIRE INFORMATION CONCERNING HOW THE *RELIGIOUS AND MORAL BELIEFS* OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS INFLUENCED THE FOUNDING OF THE UNITED STATES TO BE EMBEDDED INTO EXISTING SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1705 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1713
As Engrossed: H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, ET AL
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, M. MCKEE, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING OF AN ORIGINAL DRAFT BEFORE CIRCULATION AS AN INITIATIVE PETITION OR REFERENDUM PETITION; TO REQUIRE BALLOT TITLES FOR INITIATED MEASURES TO BE AT OR UNDER A CERTAIN READING LEVEL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1713 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1734
As Engrossed: H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DEATH CERTIFICATES; TO CLARIFY THE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS WHO MAY SIGN A MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH AND PRONOUNCE DEATH OF A PATIENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1734 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1758
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PRACTICE OF DISPENSING HEARING INSTRUMENTS"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1758 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Senator Blake Johnson motioned to suspend the intervening day rule for Senate Bill No. 527. Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 135 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 223 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 279 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 413 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 417 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 241
SENATE BILL NO. 252

SENATE BILL NO. 364
SENATE BILL NO. 402
SENATE BILL NO. 411
SENATE BILL NO. 416
SENATE BILL NO. 420
SENATE BILL NO. 421
SENATE BILL NO. 433

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 103
SENATE BILL NO. 232
SENATE BILL NO. 443
SENATE BILL NO. 454

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 135
SENATE BILL NO. 223
SENATE BILL NO. 279
SENATE BILL NO. 413
SENATE BILL NO. 417

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE AS REQUESTED

SENATE BILL NO. 309

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1293
HOUSE BILL NO. 1313
HOUSE BILL NO. 1327
HOUSE BILL NO. 1468

HOUSE BILL NO. 1619
HOUSE BILL NO. 1640
HOUSE BILL NO. 1688
HOUSE BILL NO. 1705
HOUSE BILL NO. 1734
HOUSE BILL NO. 1758

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1322
HOUSE BILL NO. 1697
HOUSE BILL NO. 1713

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1167 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1254 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1257 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1258 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1271 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 20, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SIXTY-SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 20, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Stone requested leave for Senators Dees and Irvin. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Stone.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 355 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 355

Amend Senate Bill No. 355 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

(5) Having received in person service of a subpoena issued by a judge or a court clerk, knowingly fails to appear to testify at a trial or court hearing in a criminal matter.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 355 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 425 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 425

Amend Senate Bill No. 425 as originally introduced:

Page 12, line 8, delete "$87,321.01" and substitute "$87,231.01"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 425 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 437 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 437

Amend Senate Bill 437 as originally introduced:

Page 20, delete lines 24 through 26, and substitute the following:
"precedence over the conflicting provisions of this subchapter.

23-18-1318. Exemptions.

A wind energy facility project is exempt from this subchapter if:

(1) The wind energy facility project is under development as of the effective date of this act; or

(2) The wind energy facility project is less than three hundred feet (300') above sea level.

23-18-1319. Rules."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 437 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 439

Amend Senate Bill 439 as engrossed S3/17/25:

Page 74, delete lines 16 through 23, and substitute the following:

"(C)(i) Transferring a position, employee, or job assignment on a permanent or temporary basis to enable the efficient operation of each board, commission, section, and division of the Department of Labor and Licensing upon the approval of the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in regular session, fiscal session, or extraordinary session, the Joint Budget Committee.

(ii) The Department of Finance and Administration and the Department of Shared Administrative Services shall provide any assistance required to enable a position transfer under subdivision (a)(3)(C)(i) of this section.

(iii)(a) Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation of general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly and is usually accomplished by delineating the maximums in the appropriation act for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization Law.

(b) In light of subdivision (a)(3)(C)(i) of this section, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee or their cochairs as provided by this subdivision (a)(3)(C).

(c) The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee or their cochairs is not a severable part of this subdivision (a)(3)(C). If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this subdivision (a)(3)(C) is void."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 444 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 444

Amend Senate Bill 444 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 27, delete "manner." and substitute "manner, except as required by subsection (e) of this section and an abortion performed in accordance with the Arkansas Human Life Protection Act, § 5-61-301 et seq., and the Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act, § 5-1-401 et seq."

AND

Page 2, line 35, delete "~~(d)~~(e)" and substitute "~~(d)~~(e)(1)"

AND

Page 3, delete line 3, and substitute the following:
"2021.

(2) Emergency medical care services provided at a hospital that are required by 42 U.S.C. § 1395dd, as existing on January 1, 2025, and performed in accordance with the requirements of the Arkansas Human Life Protection Act, § 5-61-301 et seq., and the Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act, § 5-1-401 et seq., are not violations of this subchapter."

AND

Page 5, delete lines 3 and 4, and substitute the following:
"medical researcher, physician, or directly participating healthcare provider shall not be discriminated against because the medical researcher, physician, or directly participating healthcare provider discloses information, including by a formal or informal"

AND

Page 5, line 5, delete "healthcare provider" and substitute "medical researcher, physician, or directly participating healthcare provider"

AND

Page 5, delete line 7, and substitute the following:

"(1) Any violation of any law related to medical research or the provision of healthcare services; or"

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 444 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 501 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 501

Amend Senate Bill No. 501 as originally introduced:

Page 5, delete line 31, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 18-60-310(c), concerning the execution of a writ of possession, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(4)(A) If the determination is in favor of the plaintiff and the property is a manufactured home or mobile home owned by the defendant, the property is not required to be stored by the plaintiff following service of the writ of possession, and shall be removed at the defendant's own expense.

(B) Upon a motion by plaintiff, the court shall find that a manufactured home or mobile home remaining on a lot leased by the plaintiff thirty (30) days after service of the writ of possession is deemed abandoned.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 18-60-310, concerning the execution of"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 501 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 47 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47

Amend Senate Resolution No. 47 as engrossed S3/18/25:

Add Senator Mark Johnson as a cosponsor of the resolution

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Resolution No. 47 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 235 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Boyd, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 235 was referred to the Senate Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 524 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 524 was withdrawn by the author.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

March 20, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam President:

This is to inform you that on March 20, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 231 - ACT 342
Senate Bill No. 240 - ACT 343
Senate Bill No. 242 - ACT 344
Senate Bill No. 276 - ACT 345
Senate Bill No. 317 - ACT 351
Senate Bill No. 254 - ACT 359
Senate Bill No. 270 - ACT 360
Senate Bill No. 328 - ACT 361
Senate Bill No. 393 - ACT 362
Senate Bill No. 304 - ACT 372
Senate Bill No. 307 - ACT 373
Senate Bill No. 22 - ACT 377
Senate Bill No. 38 - ACT 378
Senate Bill No. 42 - ACT 379
Senate Bill No. 219 - ACT 380
Senate Bill No. 333 - ACT 381
Senate Bill No. 336 - ACT 382

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 135, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 189, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 223, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 279, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 339, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 345, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 413, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 417, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:13 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 135
SENATE BILL NO. 189
SENATE BILL NO. 223
SENATE BILL NO. 279
SENATE BILL NO. 339
SENATE BILL NO. 345
SENATE BILL NO. 413
SENATE BILL NO. 417

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this 20th day of March, 2025 at 9:13 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 355, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 425, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 437, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 355 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 425 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 437 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 439, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 444, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 501, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 444 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 501 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 19, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 120, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 238, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
SENATE BILL NO. 348, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 117, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.4.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 440, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 464, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 448, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 505, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1590, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1591, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 123, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 331, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 463, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 480, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 483, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1509, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 354, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 392, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 410, BY SENATOR BRYAN KING,
SENATE BILL NO. 471, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 479, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 486, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 491, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 508, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 510, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 469, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1574, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1637, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1693, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 531
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GONZALES, MILLIGAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL PLANNING; TO ALLOW A MUNICIPALITY TO CONTRACT WITH A PROPERTY OWNER OUTSIDE THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 531 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 532
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "SPECIALTY HOSPITAL" RELATING TO THE ASSESSMENT FEE ON HOSPITALS UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 532 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Resolution No. 40 was called up for third reading.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 40
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE, SUPPORT, AND ENCOURAGE THE ARKANSAS 250 COMMISSION AS IT BEGINS ITS WORK TO CELEBRATE ARKANSAS'S RICH TWO-HUNDRED-FIFTY-YEAR HISTORY FROM THE SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE ON JULY 4, 1776, THROUGH JULY 4, 2026.

Senate Resolution No. 40 was third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 111 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 111

Amend Senate Bill No. 111 as originally introduced:

Page 27, delete line 29, and substitute the following:
"state.

(d) For the purposes of the member state's ability to reject a rule under Section 9(D) of the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact, Arkansas delegates its authority in this provision to the General Assembly or the Legislative Council."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 111 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 111 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 111

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE DENTIST AND DENTAL HYGIENIST COMPACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 111 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 111. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey , Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 111 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 9 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 9

Amend Senate Bill No. 9 as originally introduced:

Add Senators C. Penzo, C. Tucker

AND

Page 1, line 36, delete "no. 7758-01-2;" and substitute "no. 7758-01-2; or"

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "no. 94-13-3; or" and substitute "no. 94-13-3."

AND

Page 2, delete line 2

AND

Page 2, line 10, delete "January 1, 2027." and substitute "January 1, 2028."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 9 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 285 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 285

Amend Senate Bill No. 285 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 26, delete "the effective date of this act" and substitute "January 1, 2026"

AND

Page 1, delete line 31, and substitute the following:
"is one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000)."

AND
Page 2, delete lines 11 through 15, and substitute the following:

"injury occurring on or after January 1, 2026, shall not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of the amount calculated under subdivision (b)(6)(A) of this section."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 285 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 325 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 325

Amend Senate Bill No. 325 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 29 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(a) The ~~Department of Human Services or an attorney ad litem may file a motion to resume services for a parent whose parental rights were previously terminated under this subchapter if~~ following may file a motion to resume services for a parent whose parental rights were previously terminated under this subchapter:

(1) The ~~child~~ Department of Human Services:;

~~(A) Is not currently in the custody of the department;~~

~~(B) Is not in an adoptive placement, a pre-adoptive placement, or under another permanent placement and there is some evidence that the juvenile is not likely to achieve permanency within a reasonable period of time as viewed from the child's perspective; or~~

~~(C) Was previously adopted, appointed a permanent guardian, or placed in the permanent custody of another individual and the adoption, guardianship, or custodial placement was disrupted or otherwise dissolved; and~~

(2)~~(A) The order terminating the parental rights of the parent who is the subject of a motion filed under this section was entered at least three (3) years before the date on which the motion to resume services was filed~~ An attorney ad

litem.; or

(B) The three-year waiting period may be waiver if it is in the best interest of the child.

(3) A parent whose parental rights were previously terminated, if the Executive Director of the Arkansas Commission for Parent Counsel believes there is good cause to resume services and assign court-appointed counsel to represent the parent."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 22, and substitute the following:

"(b)(1) A motion may be filed under this section shall identify and name as a party the parent for whom services would resume if the child:

(A) Is currently in the custody of the department;

(B) Is not in an adoptive placement, a pre-adoptive placement, or under another permanent placement and there is some evidence that the juvenile is not likely to achieve permanency within a reasonable period of time as viewed from the child's perspective; or

(C) Was previously adopted, appointed a permanent guardian, or placed in the permanent custody of another individual and the adoption, guardianship, or custodial placement was disrupted or otherwise dissolved.; and

(2)(A) A parent shall not be named as a party to a motion filed under this section The order terminating the parental rights of the parent who is the subject of a motion filed under this section was entered at least two (2) years before the date on which the motion to resume services was filed.

(B) The two-year waiting period may be waived if the waiver is in the best interest of the child.

(3) The petitioner shall serve the parent who is the subject of a motion filed under this section with the motion.

(4) A parent who is the subject of a motion filed under this section shall have the right to be heard at a hearing on the motion.

(c)(1) A motion filed under this section shall:

(A) Be filed as a new juvenile case;

(B) Identify and name as a party the parent for whom services would resume.

(d) The court may appoint an attorney to represent the parent subject to the resumption of services motion."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 14 through 16, and substitute the following:

"(a) The Department of Human Services, or an attorney ad litem, or a parent who is represented by parent counsel under § 9-27-369(a) may file a petition to

reinstate the parental rights"

AND

Page 6, delete line 20, and substitute the following:

"(D) Neglect, if the neglect occurred in the course of employment as a:"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 1 through 10, and substitute the following:

"vulnerable population in a professional or caretaking capacity; and

(E)(i) Neglect, when a court finds the child to be a dependent-neglected juvenile because of the neglect.

(ii) Should reunification be achieved, the parent shall be removed from the registry if there are no additional true investigative determinations and it has been more than one (1) year since reunification."

AND

Page 7, line 12, delete "of neglect or"

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 325 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 326 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 326

Amend Senate Bill No. 326 as engrossed S3/12/25:

Page 2, line 27, delete "a pattern of"

AND

Page 3, line 36, delete "include" and substitute "include:"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 5

AND

Page 4, delete line 6, and substitute the following:
"(a) Causing a child to be born with an"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 24 through 26

AND

Page 4, line 28, delete "§ 9-27-310(b)(3)" and substitute "§ 9-27-310(b)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 31 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(b)(1) The prosecuting attorney shall have sole authority to file a delinquency petition or petition for revocation of probation.

(2) Only a law enforcement officer, prosecuting attorney, the Department of Human Services or its designee, or a dependency-neglect attorney ad litem employed by or contracting with the Administrative Office of the Courts may file a dependency-neglect petition seeking ex parte emergency relief.

(3) Petitions for dependency-neglect or family in need of services may be

filed by:

(A) ~~Any adult~~ Those permitted to file for ex parte relief under subdivision (b)(2) of this section; ~~or~~

(B) ~~Any member ten (10) years of age or older of the immediate family alleged to be in need of services~~ A relative; or

(C) An individual in a familial relationship with the child.

(4) Petitions for paternity establishment may be filed by:

(A) The biological mother;

(B) A putative father;

(C) A juvenile; or

(D) The Office of Child Support Enforcement of the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

(5) Petitions for family in need of services may be filed by:

(A) Those permitted to file a petition for dependency-neglect;

(B) A counselor, school principal, or the designee of a school principal; or

(C) A juvenile ten (10) years of age or older who alleges that his or her family is in need of services."

AND

Page 5, delete lines 5 through 10, and substitute the following:

"(h)(1) In a family in need of services matter, a judge of a circuit court may initiate a seventy-two-hour hold of a child if there is an immediate danger to the child's health and safety.

(2) If protective custody is taken:

(A) The court shall appoint dependency-neglect attorney ad litem for the child or children under § 12-18-1001; and

(B) An attorney ad litem shall:

(i) Review all relevant information from the juvenile proceeding regarding the child or children for whom protective custody was taken; and

(ii) File any pleadings that are necessary to protect the health, safety, or welfare of the child or children under subsection (g) of this section."

AND

Page 5, line 17, delete "individual." and substitute "individual; or"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 18 through 21, and substitute the following:

"(B) ~~If it is in the best interest of the juvenile and because of acts~~

~~or omissions by the parent, guardian, or custodian, removal is necessary to protect the juvenile's health and safety, transfer custody to the department~~ Under § 12-18-1001, may initiate a seventy-two-hour hold if there is an immediate danger to the child's health and safety."

AND

Page 6, line 35, delete "a pattern of"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 15 through 21, and substitute the following:

"(1) The child is subjected to neglect as defined under 12-18-103(14)(B) and the department assesses the family and determines that the health or physical well-being of the newborn and any other children, including siblings, under the custody or care of a custodian ~~the mother~~ are at substantial risk of serious harm such that ~~the children need to be removed from the custody or care of the mother~~ removal is necessary;"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 33 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(ii) There is not an immediate danger to the child and a risk of harm to the child can be mitigated with services and supports; or

(iii) The sole basis of the placement in protective custody under this section is:"

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 326 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 371 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 371

Amend Senate Bill No. 371 as engrossed S3/12/25:

Add Senator Irvin as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 371 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 459 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 459

Amend Senate Bill No. 459 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 25 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(1) Very young children under ten (10) years of age should be held accountable in an appropriate way, but do not have the intellectual capacity and maturity to understand the consequences of their actions and the charges against them, and scientific research has found that in children this young, qualities such as impulse control and future orientation are not well developed in the brain;

(2) Children under ten (10) years of age do not have the ability to form mens rea or criminal intent, but should still receive services and treatment when they

engage in what would otherwise be delinquent or criminal behavior; and

(3) States such as Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Kansas have set a minimum age of delinquency adjudication of ten (10) years of age with no exceptions for specific crimes."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 4

AND

Page 2, delete lines 5 through 12, and substitute the following:

"(b) Therefore, it is the intent of the General Assembly to establish a minimum age of ten (10) years of age before a child may be adjudicated delinquent, provided that in cases involving homicide, the child be adjudicated a juvenile member of a family in need of services to ensure age-appropriate accountability and treatment through the supervision of the courts."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 18 through 29, and substitute the following:

"~~(A) A~~ a juvenile ten (10) years old or older who:

~~(i)~~(A) Has committed an act other than a traffic offense or game and fish violation that, if the act had been committed by an adult, would subject the adult to prosecution for a felony, misdemeanor, or violation under the applicable criminal laws of this state;

~~(ii)~~(B) Has violated § 5-73-119; ~~or~~

~~(iii)~~(C) Has violated § 5-71-217(d)(2), cyberbullying of a school employee; or

~~(B)~~(D) ~~Any juvenile~~ Has been charged with capital murder, § 5-10-101, or murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102, subject to extended juvenile jurisdiction;"

AND

Delete SECTION 3 in its entirety

(SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 459 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 487 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 487

Amend Senate Bill No. 487 as originally introduced:

Add Representative L. Johnson as cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 487 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 490 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 490

Amend Senate Bill No. 490 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Clowney as cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 490 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 426 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 426 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 426

Amend Senate Bill No. 426 as originally introduced:

page 2, delete line 7, and substitute the following:
"(7) Rape, § 5-14-103;
(8) Causing a catastrophe, § 5-38-202(a);"

AND

Page 2, line 8, delete "(8)" and substitute "(9)"

AND

Page 2, line 9, delete "(9)" and substitute "(10)"

AND

Page 2, line 10, delete "(10)" and substitute "(11)"

AND

Page 2, line 11, delete "(11)" and substitute "(12)"

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "(12)" and substitute "(13)"

AND
Page 2, line 15, delete "(13)" and substitute "(14)"

AND

Page 4, delete line 10, and substitute the following:

"(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Jail Enforcement Model" means a model of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement authorizing deputized state and local law enforcement officers to interrogate a person for information relating to the person's immigration status and to issue an immigration detainer under the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1357(g), as it existed on January 1, 2025; and

(2) "Warrant Service Officer Program" means"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 426 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1382 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1382

Amend House Bill No. 1382 as engrossed S2/12/25:

Add Senator Dees

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1382 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1444 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1444

Amend House Bill 1444 as engrossed H2/27/25:

Page 6, line 24, delete "(e)(1)" and substitute "(e)~~(1)~~"

AND

Page 6, line 30, delete "(A)" and substitute "(1)"

AND

Page 6, line 31, delete "(i)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 6, line 33, delete "(ii)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 7, line 1, delete "(B)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 7, line 2, delete "(i)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 7, line 4, delete "(ii)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 8 and 9, and substitute the following:

"~~(2) All data reported to the commission under this subsection shall be used only to determine eligibility.~~"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Amend House Bill No. 1444 as engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1669 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1669

Amend House Bill No. 1669 as originally introduced:

Page 6, line 20, delete "subdivision (e)(1)" and substitute "subsection (e)"

AND

Page 6, line 24, delete "(e)(1)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 27 through 34

AND

Page 6, delete line 35, and substitute the following:
"(f)(1) The protection of free exercise of religious beliefs"

AND

Page 7, line 3, delete "(B)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 7, line 4, delete "(i)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 7, line 6, delete "(ii)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 7, line 8, delete "(iii)" and substitute "(C)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 11 through 20

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1669 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 83 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 83

As Engrossed: S3/4/25 S3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR BREAST RECONSTRUCTION SURGERIES; TO REQUIRE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FOR BREAST RECONSTRUCTION SURGERIES; TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR BREAST RECONSTRUCTION SURGERIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 83 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 83. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 83 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 264 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 264

As Engrossed: S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS PRIMARY CARE PAYMENT IMPROVEMENT WORKING GROUP; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 264 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No 264. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 264 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 277 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 277
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE CRIMINAL RECORD SEALING ACT OF 2013; TO PERMIT THE FILING OF A NEW UNIFORM PETITION TO SEAL A MISDEMEANOR VIOLATION OF THEFT OF PROPERTY AFTER TEN YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THE DATE OF THE THEFT OF PROPERTY OFFENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 277 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 277. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Murdock.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 277 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 373 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 373

As Engrossed: S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS FINANCIAL EDUCATION COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 373 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 373.

Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 373 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 376 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 376

As Engrossed: S3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC MEETINGS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 376 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Sullivan spoke for the bill.

Senator Clark closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Dismang, Flowers, Hickey, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Stubblefield.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Davis, Dotson.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 376 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 390 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 390
As Engrossed: S3/11/25 S3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE APPRENTICESHIP AGENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 390 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 390. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 390 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 406
As Engrossed: S3/17/25 S3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING INSTRUMENTS AFFECTING TITLE TO PROPERTY; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY RECORDER TO VERIFY CERTAIN INFORMATION BEFORE RECORDING A DEED TO REAL ESTATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Clark requested Senate Bill No. 406 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 422 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 422
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN ACT; TO ALLOW NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO CONTRIBUTE TO A NEW OR EXISTING ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN ACCOUNT; TO REQUIRE THE TREASURER OF STATE TO FACILITATE CONTRIBUTIONS BY A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 422 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 422. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.422 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 445 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 445

As Engrossed: S3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSURE OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 445 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 445. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English , Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 445 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 457 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 457
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELEASE FROM PAROLE OR POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION OF CERTAIN PERSONS WHO COMMITTED CRIMES WHEN THEY WERE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 457 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 457. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 457 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 460 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 460

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL; TO REPEAL THE MARKETING RECYCLABLES PROGRAM OF THE COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 460 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 460. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 460, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill , Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 460 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1129 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1129

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, PURYEAR

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "HOMESTEAD" FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1129 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang, King, Leding, Rice.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1129 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1268 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1268

As Engrossed: S3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

BY: SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY TO BECOME A PARTICIPATING PUBLIC EMPLOYER AND FOR ITS EMPLOYEES TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1268 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1268. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: McKee.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1268 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Blake Johnson, House Bill No. 1288 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1288

As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H2/13/25 H2/20/25 H2/27/25 S3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO REQUIRE A HEALTHCARE INSURER TO MAKE CERTAIN RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS TO A PROVIDER UPON CREDENTIALING OF A PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1288 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Rice.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1288 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1293 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1293

As Engrossed: H2/3/25 H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DEATH BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY; TO INCREASE THE PAYMENT OF A CLAIM TO DESIGNATED

BENEFICIARIES OR SURVIVORS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1293 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1293. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, McKee.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No.1293 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, House Bill No. 1313 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1313
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXPAND HEALTH BENEFIT COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN FIREFIGHTER RETIREES OF MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1313 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1313. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: McKee.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1313 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1322 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1322

As Engrossed: H2/26/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING LINE-OF-DUTY DEATH FROM OCCUPATIONAL CANCER; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1322 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1322. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, Sullivan.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1322, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, Sullivan.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1322 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1386 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1386

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO REAL PROPERTY; TO AMEND THE METHOD OF VALUATION FOR REAL PROPERTY UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1386 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Leding, Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1386 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1414 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1414
As Engrossed: H2/24/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ANDREWS, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CLAIMS FOR FIRE SERVICES; TO UPDATE THE SCHEDULE OF EQUIPMENT RATES USED IN CLAIMS FOR FIRE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1414 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1414. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1414 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1497 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1497

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADD THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY TO THE LIST OF CLAIMANT AGENCIES FOR PURPOSES OF THE SETOFF AGAINST STATE TAX *REFUNDS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "DEBT" FOR PURPOSES OF THE SETOFF AGAINST STATE TAX REFUNDS;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1497 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1497. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Clark.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1497 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Davis moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1725 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1652 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1652

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOTH, *HOLLOWELL, LUNDSTRUM*

BY: SENATORS J. BOYD, HILL, IRVIN, C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITIES; TO ALLOW THE ENFORCEMENT OF AN UNSIGNED SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY RENTAL AGREEMENT; TO CREATE A PROCEDURE TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TERMINATION OF A SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY RENTAL AGREEMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1652 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1652. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Murdock, Payton, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Leding, Love, McKee, C. Penzo, Scott.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1652 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1704 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1704
As Engrossed: H3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING CHILD CUSTODY IN MATTERS WHERE A PARENT IS A FIRST RESPONDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1704 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1704. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1704 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1604 at this time.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1604 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1604

Amend House Bill No.1604 as engrossed H3/17/25:

Immediately following SECTION 3 of the bill, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 4. DO NOT CODIFY. Applicability.

Sections 1 and 2 of this act apply only to contracts executed on or after the effective date of this act."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1604 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 515 at this time.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 515 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 515

Amend Senate Bill No. 515 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. Bryant

AND

Add Representative Crawford

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 515 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Leding, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 331 at this time.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 331 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 331

Amend Senate Bill No. 331 as originally introduced:

Page 3, delete lines 17 and 18, and substitute the following:
"Network clinical practice guidelines.

(b) The coverage under subsection (a) of this section is not subject to any cost-sharing requirements under other applicable law.

(c)(1) If application of this section would result in health savings"

(SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 331 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator McKee, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 522 at this time.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 522 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 522

Amend Senate Bill No. 522 as originally introduced:

Add Senator A. Clark

AND

Add Representative Barnett

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT MCKEE

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 522 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1255 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1147
HOUSE BILL NO. 1246

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1147 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1147
As Engrossed: H3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1147 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1147, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1147 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1246 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1246
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT RICH MOUNTAIN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1246 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1246, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dees, Irvin.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1246 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 9, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 285, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
SENATE BILL NO. 325, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 326, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 371, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 459, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 487, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 490, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO.426, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 426 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1382, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1444, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,
BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1669, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MILLS UNIVERSITY STUDIES HIGH SCHOOL COMETS BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MILLS UNIVERSITY STUDIES HIGH SCHOOL LADY COMETS BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 4A CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS AND TO REMEMBER HEAD COACH JOE GREGORY'S WIFE, CYNTHIA GREGORY.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 533
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS BY THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL BOARD; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS LAW TO ALLOW THE REGULATION AND PURCHASE OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS; TO ESTABLISH A DIRECTORY FOR CONSUMABLE HEMP MANUFACTURERS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 533 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 534
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS KRATOM CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT; TO REMOVE MITRAGYNINE AND 7-HYDROXYMITRAGYNINE, ALSO KNOWN AS KRATOM, FROM THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES LIST IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 534 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 535
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS HESTER, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, K. HAMMER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, J. PETTY, J. SCOTT, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EVANS, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR THE ARKANSAS MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS AND THE ARKANSAS MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS FOUNDATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 535 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 536
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY; TO ABOLISH THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD; TO TRANSFER CERTAIN POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE ARKANSAS STATE ARCHIVES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 536 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 537
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE EARNING SAFE REENTRY THROUGH WORK ACT; TO CREATE A SENTENCE CREDIT PROGRAM FOR A PERSON ON PROBATION, PAROLE, OR POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION TO EARN TIME CREDITS THROUGH EMPLOYMENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 537 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 538
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, HICKEY, IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 538 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 539
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO UPDATE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION AND THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION; TO CLARIFY REFERENCES TO COMMUNITY CORRECTION CENTERS; TO TRANSFER SEX OFFENDER COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION ASSESSMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 539 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 540
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR THE INABILITY TO DRIVE; TO LIMIT THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IMPOSITION OF RESTRICTIONS ON A DRIVER'S LICENSE OF A PERSON WHO HAS SUFFERED A SEIZURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 540 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 331, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 515, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 522, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 331 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 515 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 522 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1604, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1604 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 331, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD, VICE CHAIRMAN
SENATOR MATT MCKEE
SENATOR CLINT PENZO
SENATOR REGINALD MURDOCK
SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 111, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copy with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 3:55 p.m. delivered it to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 111

RECEIVED the above paper from the Secretary of the Senate this twentieth day of March, 2025 at 4:08 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 299 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 353 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 409 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 424 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 293 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 293 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 541
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, A. CLARK
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TOWING OR STORAGE OF A VEHICLE, IMPLEMENT, OR PIECE OF MACHINERY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELEASE OF A VEHICLE THAT HAS BEEN TOWED OR STORED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 541 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 542
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO IMPROVE THE ENROLLMENT AND SELECTION PROCESS IN RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; TO EMPOWER MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES WITH USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS AVAILABLE TO THEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 542 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 543
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WITHIN RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 543 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 544
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 544 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 545
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO THE PROPERTY AND FINANCES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO BONDS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING RENTS, TOLLS, FEES, AND OTHER CHARGES RELATED TO ATHLETIC CONTESTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 545 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 546
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION FEE FOR WATER PERMITS RELATED TO NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 546 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 547
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING A HOMESCHOOLED STUDENT'S PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES AT PRIVATE SCHOOLS; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT A HOMESCHOOLED STUDENT LIVE WITHIN A CERTAIN RADIUS OF A PRIVATE SCHOOL FOR PURPOSES OF PARTICIPATING IN AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 547 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 548
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING WARRANTS OF ARREST; TO REQUIRE THAT NOTICE OF A WARRANT BE SENT TO THE PERSON NAMED IN THE ARREST WARRANT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 548 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 549
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT MANDATED COSTS AND FEES PAID BY A DEFENDANT IN A CRIMINAL CASE SHALL BE REFUNDED UPON AN ACQUITTAL, A DISMISSAL, OR AN ORDER OF NOLLE PROSEQUI; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 549 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1072

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES C. COOPER, *BREAUX, CRAWFORD, DUFFIELD, S. MEEKS, RICHMOND, UNGER, D. WHITAKER*

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1072 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1241

As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, *L. JOHNSON*

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM REIMBURSES FOR DENTAL AND ANESTHESIA COSTS FOR HIGH COMPLEXITY ORAL HEALTH CARE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1241 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1243
As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNDERWOOD, LONG, ROSE, *MCALINDON*
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN FINANCE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES; TO AMEND REPORTING FOR CANDIDATES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT, TOWNSHIP, OR MUNICIPAL OFFICE; TO AMEND REPORTING FOR CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY OFFICE; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1243 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1320
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WOOLDRIDGE, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION PROTOCOL ACT OF 2017; TO PROHIBIT LIMITS ON UTILIZATION CRITERIA UNDER THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION PROTOCOL ACT OF 2017; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" AS USED UNDER THE ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO REGULATE CRISIS STABILIZATION UNITS AND HEALTHCARE INSURERS; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR CRISIS STABILIZATION UNITS UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1320 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1321
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE STEP THERAPY AND FAIL FIRST PROTOCOLS CONCERNING CERTAIN PRESCRIBED VENTILATORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1321 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1467
As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ACHOR, *MCCOLLUM*
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM MONEY SERVICES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1467 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1519

As Engrossed: H3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, BEATY, JR.

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HIRING AND CONTRACTING OF EMPLOYEES FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, STATE BANK DEPARTMENT, AND STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1519 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1525

As Engrossed: H3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY; TO ADDRESS AGRICULTURAL IMPACT REMEDIATION AGREEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1525 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1545

As Engrossed: H3/10/25 H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MILITARY CHILD SCHOOL TRANSITIONS ACT OF 2021; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1545 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1549

As Engrossed: H2/25/25 H3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS CYBERSECURITY ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1549 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1557

As Engrossed: H3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS CONCERNING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY; TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS CODE RELATED TO THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1557 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1562

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE TERMINATION OF AN ORAL LEASE OF FARMLANDS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NOTICE OF TERMINATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1562 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1630

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAPITAL MURDER, MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, AND MANSLAUGHTER; TO ADD A MISDEMEANOR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OFFENSE TO THE PREDICATE OFFENSES FOR CAPITAL MURDER, MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, AND MANSLAUGHTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1630 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1679

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, *GAZAWAY, ACHOR, BEATY, JR., BENTLEY, A. BROWN, C. COOPER, DUFFIELD, EUBANKS, FURMAN, GRAMLICH, HAWK, LONG, MAGIE, MCCOLLUM, S. MEEKS, MILLIGAN, J. MOORE, PAINTER, PILKINGTON, ROSE, SCHULZ, STEIMEL, UNDERWOOD, WALKER*

BY SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REVISED ARKANSAS ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT; TO ALLOW CERTAIN CLASSES OF PERSONS TO REVOKE OR AMEND AN ANATOMICAL GIFT UPON THE DEATH OF THE DONOR; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTING OF PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1679 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1681

As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, MILLIGAN, ACHOR, F. ALLEN, ANDREWS, BARKER, BARNES, BARNETT, BEATY, JR., BECK, BENTLEY, S. BERRY, BREAUX, BROOKS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, CLOWNEY, A. COLLINS, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, DUFFIELD, EATON, ENNETT, EUBANKS, EVANS, K. FERGUSON, FURMAN, D. GARNER, GAZAWAY, GONZALES, GONZALES- WORTHEN, GRAMLICH, HALL, HAWK, HENLEY, HOLCOMB, HOLLOWELL, HUDSON, L. JOHNSON, LADYMAN, LONG, MADDOX, MAGIE, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, MCCULLOUGH, M. MCELROY, MCGREW, MCGRUDER, MCNAIR, S. MEEKS, J. MOORE, K. MOORE, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PIERCE, PURYEAR, J. RICHARDSON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SCHULZ, T. SHEPHARD, SPRINGER, STEELE, STEIMEL, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, WALKER, WARREN, D. WHITAKER, WING, WOOLDRIDGE, WOOTEN, *DUKE*

BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, *HESTER, J. BOYD, CALDWELL, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, M. MCKEE, R. MURDOCK, J. PETTY, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING THE ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION; TO ESTABLISH THE WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM; TO CREATE THE WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM FUND; TO TRANSFER FUNDING FROM THE SECURITIES RESERVE FUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1681 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1684

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE PARENTS AND TEACHERS HELPING STUDENTS SUCCEED (PATHS) ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1684 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1691

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY TO BE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION; TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR PUBLIC CHARITY ARE EXEMPT FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1691 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1695
As Engrossed: H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, ANDREWS, HUDSON
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL LIENS RELATED TO NEGLECTED PROPERTY AND TAX-DELINQUENT PROPERTY; TO CLARIFY THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS FOR PROPERTY SUBJECT TO A MUNICIPAL LIEN; TO ALLOW A MUNICIPALITY TO *PETITION TO SET ASIDE* THE SALE OF PROPERTY BY THE STATE TO A PERSON THAT OWNS TAX-DELINQUENT PROPERTY IN THIS STATE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PRIORITY OF UNRECORDED MUNICIPAL LIENS OVER OTHER UNRECORDED LIENS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1695 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1707
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HAWK, UNDERWOOD
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES; TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT, TOWNSHIP, OR MUNICIPAL OFFICE TO FILE REPORTS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY OFFICE TO FILE REPORTS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1707 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1724
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MEMBERS OF LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE DATE ON WHICH AN ELECTION OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS HELD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1724 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1736
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE 9 OF THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1736 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1737
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRANSMITTING UTILITY ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "TRANSMITTING UTILITY" TO INCLUDE FIBER OPTIC AND BROADBAND LINES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1737 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1741
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL LIMING MATERIALS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1741 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY& ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1742
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO SEED CERTIFICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1742 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1743
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS FEED LAW OF 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1743 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1744
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO FERTILIZER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1744 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1745
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HAWK, BROOKS, JOEY CARR, EAVES, EVANS, HALL, HOLCOMB, MILLIGAN, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PILKINGTON, SCHULZ, VAUGHT, *HENLEY*
BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, DEES, GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE HOLDERS TO POSSESS A UNITED STATES WORK AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE IN THE STATE; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF PRESENTING A FALSE FOREIGN COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1745 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1746
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1746 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1757
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RAILROADS; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF TAMPERING WITH RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1757 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1760
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPLICATIONS FOR THE ADJUSTMENT OF A PROPERTY ASSESSMENT; TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD DOES NOT HAVE JURISDICTION TO DETERMINE WHETHER PROPERTY QUALIFIES FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; TO PROVIDE FOR A COUNTY COURT'S JURISDICTION TO CONSIDER CERTAIN PETITIONS FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF A PROPERTY ASSESSMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1760 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1772
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING VEGETABLE GARDEN PROTECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1772 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1774
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1774 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1782
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, ET AL
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT OVER-THE-COUNTER DIET PILLS FROM BEING SOLD, TRANSFERRED, OR OTHERWISE FURNISHED TO A PERSON WHO IS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1782 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1785
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERS OF A COUNTY DEPOSITORY BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1785 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1789
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO RESTRICT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ISSUING AN IDENTIFICATION CARD TO AN INDIVIDUAL IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1789 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1794
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUKE, HAWK
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE LICENSEES; TO CREATE CONTINUING EDUCATION EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1794 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1802
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARREN, ET AL
BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, K. HAMMER, R. MURDOCK, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE TALENT RECRUITMENT GRANT PROGRAM; TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES FOR INDIVIDUALS TO RELOCATE TO THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1802 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1803
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES JOEY CARR, ET AL
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT ON THE STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS IN RECOGNITION AND HONOR OF MAURICE LEE “FOOTSIE” BRITT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1803 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1814
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OVER UTILITIES; TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "PUBLIC UTILITY" UNDER TITLE 14, CHAPTER 200; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1814 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 550
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE ARKANSAS LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION TO THE ARKANSAS BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 550 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 551
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CANVASSING FOR A PETITION FOR A LOCAL OPTION ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 551 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 552
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF 1987; TO AMEND THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF "PRINCIPAL OFFICE" USED UNDER THE ARKANSAS BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF 1987 AND THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 552 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 553
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING LAW; TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF A MUNICIPAL TREASURER; TO REQUIRE TRAINING FOR AN INDIVIDUAL CHARGED WITH DUTIES UNDER THE ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 553 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 554

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 554 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

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AS PASSED

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SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 460

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AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

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SENATE BILL NO. 424

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 293 AS AMENDED NO. 1

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AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1072
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1321
HOUSE BILL NO. 1467
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HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1707

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1316
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1497
HOUSE BILL NO. 1652

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1721

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1147
HOUSE BILL NO. 1246
HOUSE BILL NO. 1322
HOUSE BILL NO. 1505
HOUSE BILL NO. 1647

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1268 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1288 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1474 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2
HOUSE BILL NO. 1551 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1673 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1633 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
HAVING FAILED TO PASS

HOUSE BILL NO. 1536

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 31, 2025.

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

March 31, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator M. Johnson requested leave for Senator Irvin. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Ms. Anna Roberts.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 151 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 151

Amend Senate Bill No.151 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"retirant; or"

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "§ 24-1-301(2)(F); or" and substitute "§ 24-1-301(2)(F);"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 25 through 27, and substitute the following:
"~~(C) Is found liable by a court of competent jurisdiction for the unlawful killing of the member or retirant by a preponderance of the evidence in a civil action;~~"

AND

Page 3, line 31, delete "or a judgment"

AND

Page 3, line 34, delete "or judgment"

AND

Page 3, line 36, delete "or a judgment"

AND

Page 4, line 5, delete "or a judgment"

AND

Page 4, line 16, delete "member" and substitute "vested member"

AND

Page 4, line 17, delete "who begins making employee contributions" and substitute "whose rights have not yet vested in the system"

AND

Page 4, line 18, delete "following" and substitute "as of"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 151 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 153 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 153

Amend Senate Bill No. 153 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 10 and 11, and substitute the following:

"OF TITLE 24 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO VARIOUS CITY OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 1, delete line 17, and substitute the following:

"CODE; AND TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO VARIOUS CITY OFFICIALS."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-12-120(c), concerning payment of retirement benefits to city attorneys in cities of the first class and cities of the second class, is amended to read as follows:

(c) All payments of retirement benefits under this section shall be payable monthly and shall be paid ~~from the general funds of~~ by the city.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-12-121(b)(2), concerning retirement payments to city clerks and clerk-treasurers, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The retirement pay shall be paid by the city ~~from its general fund account~~.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 24-12-122(b)(2), concerning retirement payments to deputy city clerks, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The retirement pay shall be paid by the city ~~from its general fund account~~ when appropriated for that purpose by the governing body of the city.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 24-12-123(a)(2), concerning retirement payments to mayors of cities of the first class, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The retirement payments shall be paid monthly and shall be paid ~~from the city general fund~~ by the city.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 24-12-125(b)(2), concerning retirement payments to treasurers of cities of the first class, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Upon approval by the governing body of the city, the retirement pay shall be paid by the city ~~from its general fund account~~.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 24-12-127(b)(2), concerning retirement payments to recorder-treasurers and city treasurers of cities of the second class, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The retirement pay shall be paid by the city ~~from its general fund account~~."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 153 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 157 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 157

Amend Senate Bill No. 157 as originally introduced:

Delete Representative Warren as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Add Representatives Perry, Warren as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 10 and 11, and substitute the following:

"ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'
RETIREMENT SYSTEM, STATE POLICE
RETIREMENT SYSTEM, ARKANSAS
STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES'

RETIREMENT SYSTEM, ARKANSAS
TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND
ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE
RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 1, delete line 17, and substitute the following:
"STATE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE
RETIREMENT SYSTEMS."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative intent.

It is the intent of the General Assembly that:

(1) This act provide a pension-owned life insurance policy as a benefit to the members of the public employee retirement systems;

(2) The pension-owned life insurance policies for the members of the respective state retirement systems be owned by each respective system and provided to each member of the system;

(3) Each state retirement system has the ability to offer life insurance as a survivor's benefit to each member;

(4) No state retirement system shall be required to offer this benefit; and

(5) Part of the life insurance payment be paid to the beneficiary of a member and part of the life insurance payment be used to lessen the system's unfunded liability, with the deceased member's beneficiary receiving the net proceeds.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 4, Subchapter 6, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24-4-624. Life insurance — Payment to beneficiary.

(a) The Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System shall provide a life insurance benefit to the beneficiary of a deceased member.

(b) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System shall promulgate rules to implement this section.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 24-5-116 is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(e)(1) The Arkansas State Highway Employees' Retirement System shall provide a life insurance benefit to the beneficiary of a deceased member.

(2) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas State Highway Employees' Retirement System shall promulgate rules to implement this subdivision (e).

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 6, Subchapter 2, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24-6-229. Life insurance — Payment to beneficiary.

(a) The State Police Retirement System shall provide a life insurance benefit to the beneficiary of a deceased member.

(b) The Board of Trustees of the State Police Retirement System shall promulgate rules to implement this section.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 7, Subchapter 7, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24-7-739. Life insurance — Payment to beneficiary.

(a) The Arkansas Teacher Retirement System shall provide a life insurance benefit to the beneficiary of a deceased member.

(b) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System shall promulgate rules to implement this section.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 8, Subchapter 2, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24-8-231. Life insurance — Payment to beneficiary.

(a) The Arkansas Judicial Retirement System shall provide a life insurance benefit to the beneficiary of a deceased member.

(b) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Judicial Retirement System shall promulgate rules to implement this section.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 10, Subchapter 6, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24-10-621. Life insurance — Payment to beneficiary.

(a) The Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System shall provide a life insurance benefit to the beneficiary of a deceased member.

(b) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System shall promulgate rules to implement this section."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 157 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 160 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 160

Amend Senate Bill No. 160 as originally introduced:

Add Senator M. McKee as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-4-101(30), as amended by Acts 2025, No. 311, § 2, concerning the definition of "participating public employer" as it applies to the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System, is amended to add an additional subdivision read as follows:

(D) The Arkansas Development Finance Authority;

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-4-104(b), concerning the membership of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System, is amended to add additional subdivisions to read as follows:

(5) The Secretary of the Department of Shared Administrative Services; and

(6) The Bank Commissioner."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 160 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 400 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 400

Amend Senate Bill No. 400 as engrossed S3/19/25:

Page 1, delete lines 30 and 31, and substitute the following:

"~~(c)(1)(A)~~(1) A recipient of ~~fair funding under the fair-funding program~~ financial assistance provided by the Department of Agriculture under ~~subsection (a)~~ subsection (b) of this section shall~~:~~"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 8, and substitute the following:

~~(ii) Provide~~ provide proof of yearly continuing education requirements under guidance adopted by the department.

(2) A recipient of ~~fair funding under the fair-funding program established~~ financial assistance under ~~subsection (a)~~ subsection (b) of this section is subject to audit by Arkansas Legislative Audit.

(b)(1) The department is authorized"

AND

Page 2, line 11, delete "(a)(1)" and substitute "(b)(1)"

AND

Page 2, line 16, delete "(b)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 2, line 16, delete "(a)" and substitute "(b)"

AND

Page 2, line 31, delete "(b)(1)(A)(i)-(iii)" and substitute "(c)(1)(A)(i)-(iii)"

AND

Page 2, line 32, delete "and approval"

AND

Page 2, line 34, delete "(c)" and substitute "(d)"

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "(d)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 3, line 3, delete "(e)" and substitute "(f)"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "(f)" and substitute "(g)"

AND

Page 3, line 30, delete "(g)(1)" and substitute "(h)(1)"

AND

Page 3, line 34, delete "(g)" and substitute "(h)"

AND

Page 3, line 35, delete "(h)" and substitute "(i)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 400 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 540 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 540

Amend Senate Bill No.540 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Furman as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 540 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 24 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24

Amend Senate Joint Resolution No. 24 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 13, and substitute the following:

"AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING INITIATIVES, REFERENDA, AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS REFERRED TO VOTERS; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1, CONCERNING INITIATIVES AND REFERENDA; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE REFERRAL OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO VOTERS."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING INITIATIVES, REFERENDA, AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS REFERRED TO VOTERS."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 32 through 35, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Majority", is amended to read as follows:

Majority. Any measure submitted to the people as herein provided shall take effect and become a law when approved by a majority of the votes cast upon such measure, and not otherwise, and shall not be required to receive a majority of the electors voting at such election. In addition to approval by a majority of the votes cast upon the measure at the election, a state-wide measure shall take effect and become a law when approved by a majority of the votes cast upon the measure in a majority of the counties of the state. However, an act, a measure, or the portion of an act or measure subject to a state-wide referendum shall be repealed if the act, measure, or portion of an act or measure is rejected by a majority of the electors voting upon the matter, regardless of the number of counties rejecting the act, measure, or portion of an act or measure according to the votes cast in the county. ~~Such measures~~ A measure approved under this amendment shall be operative on and after the thirtieth day after the election at which it is approved, unless otherwise specified in the Act.

This section shall not be construed to deprive any member of the General Assembly of the right to introduce any measure, but no measure shall be submitted to the people by the General Assembly, except a proposed constitutional amendment or amendments as provided for in this Constitution.

SECTION 2. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Conflicting Measures" is amended to read as follows:

Conflicting Measures. If conflicting measures initiated or referred to the people ~~shall be approved by a majority of the votes severally cast for and against the same at the same election~~ are approved under this section, the one receiving the highest number of affirmative votes shall become law.

SECTION 3. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Title" is amended to read as follows:

Title. At the time of filing petitions the exact title to be used on the ballot shall by the petitioners be submitted with the petition, and on state-wide measures, shall be submitted to the State Board of Election Commissioners, who shall certify such title to the Secretary of State, to be placed upon the ballot; on county and municipal measures such title shall be submitted to the county election board and shall by said board be placed upon the ballot in such county or municipal election. The title shall

be readable, clear, and concise and shall not exceed five hundred (500) words. The General Assembly may enact laws establishing a standard for the readability of the title.

SECTION 4. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Verification", is amended to read as follows:

Verification. Only legal votes shall be counted upon petitions. Petitions may be circulated and presented in parts, but each part of any petition shall have attached thereto the affidavit of the person circulating the same, that all signatures thereon were made in the presence of the affiant, and that to the best of the affiant's knowledge and belief each signature is genuine, and that the person signing is a legal voter ~~and no other affidavit or verification shall be required to establish the genuineness of such signatures~~.

SECTION 5. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Amendment of Petition", is amended to read as follows:

~~Amendment of Petition~~ Notification of Insufficiency.

(a)~~(1)~~ If the Secretary of State, county clerk or city clerk, as the case may be, shall decide any petition to be insufficient, he or she shall without delay notify the sponsors of such petition~~, and permit at least thirty (30) days from the date of such notification, in the instance of a state-wide petition, or ten (10) days in the instance of a municipal or county petition, for correction or amendment~~.

~~(2) For a state-wide petition, correction or amendment of an insufficient petition shall be permitted only if the petition contains valid signatures of legal voters equal to:~~

~~(A) At least seventy-five percent (75%) of the number of state-wide signatures of legal voters required; and~~

~~(B) At least seventy-five percent (75%) of the required number of signatures of legal voters from each of at least fifteen (15) counties of the state~~.

(b) In the event of legal proceedings to prevent giving legal effect to any petition upon any grounds, the burden of proof shall be upon the person or persons attacking the validity of the petition.

SECTION 6. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Unwarranted Restrictions Prohibited", is amended to read as follows:

Unwarranted Restrictions Prohibited. No law shall be passed to prohibit any person or persons from giving or receiving compensation for circulating petitions, nor to prohibit the circulation of petitions, nor in any manner interfering with the freedom of the people in procuring petitions; but laws shall be enacted prohibiting and

penalizing perjury, forgery, and all other felonies or other fraudulent practices, in the securing of signatures or filing of petitions. Laws may be enacted as the General Assembly deems necessary to maintain public order, protect public safety, protect private property, or maintain the integrity of the democratic process.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code, Article 19, § 22, is amended to read as follows:

§ 22. Constitutional amendments.

Either branch of the General Assembly, at a regular session thereof, may propose amendments to this Constitution; and if the same be agreed to by a majority of all members elected to each house, such proposed amendments shall be entered on the journals with the yeas and nays, and published in at least one (1) newspaper in each county, where a newspaper is published, for six (6) months immediately preceding the next general election for Senators and Representatives, at which time the same shall be submitted to the electors of the State, for approval or rejection~~;~~. ~~and if a majority of the electors voting at such election adopt such amendments, the same shall become a part of this Constitution~~ An amendment submitted under this section shall become a part of this Constitution if a majority of the electors voting at the next general election for Senators and Representatives approve the amendment and the amendment is also approved by a majority of votes cast upon the amendment in a majority of the counties of the state. But no more than three (3) amendments shall be proposed or submitted at the same time. They shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately.

SECTION 8. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 70, § 2, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. Additional Constitutional amendments authorized.

In addition to the three (3) amendments to the Constitution allowed pursuant to Article 19, § 22, either branch of the General Assembly at a regular session thereof may propose an amendment to the Constitution to change the salaries for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Commissioner of State Lands, and Auditor of State and for members of the General Assembly. If the same be agreed to by a majority of all members elected to each house, such proposed amendment shall be entered on the journals with the yeas and nays, and published in at least one (1) newspaper in each county, where a newspaper is published, for six (6) months immediately preceding the next general election for Senators and Representatives, at which time the same shall be submitted to the electors of the State for approval or rejection. ~~If a majority of the electors voting at such election adopt the amendment the same shall become a part of this Constitution~~ An amendment submitted under this section shall become a part of this Constitution if a majority of the electors voting at the next general

election for Senator and Representatives approve the amendment and the amendment is also approved by a majority of votes cast upon the amendment in a majority of the counties of the state. Only one (1) amendment to the Constitution may be referred pursuant to this section.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution shall be effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 10. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "An Amendment to the Arkansas Constitution Concerning Initiatives, Referenda, and Constitutional Amendments Referred to Voters."."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 24 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1717 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1717

Amend House Bill No. 1717 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Bentley, A. Brown, Walker, Achor

AND

Page 1, line 31, delete "younger;" and substitute "younger in the State of Arkansas;"

AND

Page 3, line 7, delete "et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025;" and substitute "et seq.;"

AND

Page 3, line 10, delete "as it existed on January 1, 2025,"

AND

Page 3, line 11, delete "that act, as it existed on January 1, 2025;" and substitute "that act;"

AND

Page 5, line 19, delete "or"

AND

Page 5, delete line 22, and substitute the following:
"or a student engagement program; or

(iv) Primarily provides career development opportunities, including without limitation professional networking, job skills, learning certifications, and job posting and application services;"

AND

Page 6, line 2, delete "individual who is" and substitute "individual located in the State of Arkansas who is"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 29 and 30, and substitute the following:
"extent the processing is permitted under 15 U.S.C. § 6502, and its implementing regulations; or"

AND

Delete SECTION 2 in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

If any provision of this act or the application of this act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this act are declared severable.

SECTION 3. DO NOT CODIFY. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act shall be effective on and after July 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1717 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 358 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 358 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 499 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 499 was withdrawn by the author.

Senator Hester moved to suspend the Senate Intervening Day Rule for the remainder of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly. By voice vote, the motion carried.

Senator Hester moved that for the remainder of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly, bills coming out of committee "Do Pass as Amended" with the lead Senate sponsor's amendment be placed on the next morning's 8:00 a.m. amendment calendar. By voice vote, the motion carried.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 21, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 299, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 353, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 409, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 424, BY SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:04 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 299
SENATE BILL NO. 353
SENATE BILL NO. 409
SENATE BILL NO. 424

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this twenty-first day of March, 2025 at 9:24 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

March 26, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on March 25, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 111 - ACT 395
Senate Bill No. 189 - ACT 396
Senate Bill No. 279 - ACT 397
Senate Bill No. 135 - ACT 399
Senate Bill No. 223 - ACT 400
Senate Bill No. 413 - ACT 401
Senate Bill No. 417 - ACT 402
Senate Bill No. 299 - ACT 403
Senate Bill No. 339 - ACT 404
Senate Bill No. 353 - ACT 405
Senate Bill No.409 - ACT 406
Senate Bill No. 345 - ACT 421
Senate Bill No. 424 - ACT 422

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS,
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 151, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 153, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 157, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 160, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 400, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 540, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 151 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 153 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 157 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 160 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 400 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 540 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 24 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1717, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1717 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 425, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 450, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 467, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 470, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 515, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 522, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 545, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 547, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1561, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,
BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1598, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,
BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1640, BY REPRESENTATIVE DUKE,
BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1697, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,
BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1705, BY REPRESENTATIVE DUKE,
BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1724, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKENZIE,
BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 412, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 503, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1691, BY REPRESENTATIVE TORRES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1716, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1760, BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1303, BY REPRESENTATIVE JEAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 397, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 498, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1549, BY REPRESENTATIVE R.S. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1557, BY REPRESENTATIVE R.S. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1654, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 53
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR TERRY KIMBROW, PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS UPCOMING MAY 2025 RETIREMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 53 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 54
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL LADY TIGERS SOFTBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 1A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 54 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 55
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL TIGERS BASEBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 1A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 55 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 56
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE STUDENTS OF MURFREESBORO HIGH SCHOOL FOR THEIR VICTORIES IN COMPETITIVE COMPUTERIZED NUMERIC CONTROL METAL, WOOD, AND LASER DESIGN.

Senate Resolution No. 56 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 57
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MAGNOLIA HIGH SCHOOL PANTHERS DANCE TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 1A-4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 57 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 58
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKADELPHIA HIGH SCHOOL BADGERS FOOTBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 58 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 59
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE APRIL AS CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION MONTH.

Senate Resolution No. 59 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 60
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS DEES, J. DOTSON

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE GRAVETTE HIGH SCHOOL LIONS WRESTLING TEAM AS THE 2025 CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 60 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 555
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, HUDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF VIDEO VOYEURISM; TO EXTEND THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR THE OFFENSE OF VIDEO VOYEURISM; TO MAKE AN ORDER OF PROTECTION AVAILABLE TO A VICTIM OF VIDEO VOYEURISM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 555 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 556
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROTECT PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SOURCES; TO PROHIBIT SURFACE DISCHARGE OF WASTEWATER INTO A WATERSHED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 556 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 557
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING WATER PERMITS AND DISCHARGE OF WASTEWATER; TO AUTHORIZE DENIALS OF APPLICANTS FOR A WATER PERMIT THAT HAVE A HISTORY OF NONCOMPLIANCE; TO CLARIFY A NOTICE OF INTENT; TO ESTABLISH ACCESS TO TECHNICAL SUPPORT IN THE EVENT OF A SEWAGE OR STORM WATER EMERGENCY; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN DISCHARGE OF WASTEWATER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 557 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 558
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLLOWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCOME TAX RETURNS; TO REQUIRE THE ELECTRONIC FILING OF CERTAIN CORPORATE INCOME TAX RETURNS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 558 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 559
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MILITARY CHILD SCHOOL TRANSITIONS ACT OF 2021; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ADVANCE ENROLLMENT OF A STUDENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS MILITARY CHILD SCHOOL TRANSITIONS ACT OF 2021; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 559 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 560
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DECREASE THE BASE CONTRIBUTION RATE; TO INCREASE THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT RATE; TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE SKILLED WORKFORCE IN THIS STATE; TO AMEND THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES TRAINING TRUST FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 560 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR

SENATE BILL NO. 561
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TEMPORARY PREPRINTED PAPER BUYER'S TAGS; TO ALLOW FOR THE ISSUANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY PREPRINTED PAPER BUYER'S TAG IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO CREATE A PENALTY FOR THE USE OF AN EXPIRED TEMPORARY PREPRINTED PAPER BUYER'S TAG; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 561 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 562
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ANNUAL PROJECT REVIEW AND EFFICIENCY STUDY OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 562 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 563
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EQUINE WELFARE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR CERTAIN ACTIONS AGAINST AN EQUINE; TO ALLOW A BODY CONDITION SCORE TO BE USED TO DETERMINE IF ADEQUATE FOOD AND WATER HAS BEEN SUPPLIED TO AN EQUINE UNDER THE OFFENSE OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 563 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 564
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "BEER"; TO CHANGE THE ALLOWABLE ALCOHOLIC CONTENT IN BEER; TO INCLUDE MALT BEVERAGES WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "BEER"; TO AMEND REFERENCES IN THE ARKANSAS CODE TO BEER WITH AN ALCOHOL CONTENT OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 564 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 565
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROCUREMENT LAW CONCERNING CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS; TO ALLOW FOR A COMBINED WRITTEN CERTIFICATION UNDER THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; TO SIMPLIFY STATE CONTRACTING BY ALLOWING MULTIPLE CERTIFICATIONS TO BE INCORPORATED INTO A SINGLE COMBINED WRITTEN CERTIFICATION BY OPERATION OF LAW; TO SET A THRESHOLD FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE REQUIREMENT THAT A STATE CONTRACT INCLUDE A REPRESENTATION CONCERNING THE PROHIBITION ON CONTINGENT FEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 565 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 566
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR FUNDING FOR THE EXPANSION, IMPROVEMENT, OR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE AND COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES; TO ADDRESS PRISON OVERCROWDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 566 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 567
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MULTISTATE TAX COMPACT AND THE UNIFORM DIVISION OF INCOME FOR TAX PURPOSES ACT; TO AMEND AND MODERNIZE THE LAW CONCERNING THE APPORTIONMENT OF INCOME DERIVED FROM MULTISTATE OPERATIONS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD FOR SOURCING OF RECEIPTS FOR SERVICES AND INTANGIBLES FROM COST OF PERFORMANCE TO MARKET-BASED SOURCING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 567 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 568
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS CROWELL, GILMORE, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES JEAN, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TAXES APPLICABLE TO LITHIUM EXTRACTION AND DEVELOPMENT; TO INCLUDE ELECTRONIC WASTE IN THE DEFINITION OF "SOLID WASTE" FOR PURPOSES OF THE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR WASTE REDUCTION, REUSE, OR RECYCLING EQUIPMENT; TO PROVIDE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR LITHIUM RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SEVERANCE TAX ON LITHIUM; TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE SEVERANCE TAX FOR LITHIUM EXTRACTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 568 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 569
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, A. CLARK
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN AMENDMENT TO ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1, TO REQUIRE THAT THE BALLOT TITLE OF A PROPOSED MEASURE BE READABLE, CLEAR, AND CONCISE AND NOT EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED WORDS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 569 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 570
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 570 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 571
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND ZONING REGULATIONS; TO PROHIBIT A MUNICIPALITY FROM ENFORCING BUILDINGS AND ZONING REGULATIONS ON COUNTY PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 571 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 572
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCESS AND TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO REQUIRE PUBLIC ACCESS TO LEARNING MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 572 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 573
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE METHOD OF VALUATION UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5, BY DEFINING THE TERMS USED IN THE ESTABLISHED METHODS OF VALUATION FOR PURPOSES OF PROPERTY TAX; TO CLARIFY AND DEFINE A STANDARD OF VALUATION FOR PROPERTY TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 573 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 574
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A MUNICIPALITY THAT OPERATES A WATERWORKS SYSTEM OR SEWAGE SYSTEM TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO COUNTY PROPERTY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 574 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 575
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSTALLMENT FEES COLLECTED IN CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS; TO CREATE THE JUSTICE SYSTEM FEE TASK FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 575 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 576
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COVERAGE OF CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORS WITHIN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 576 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 577
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HALL, PURYEAR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO NOTIFY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CONCERNING SALES AND USE TAXES THAT ARE SET TO EXPIRE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 577 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 578
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EARLY VOTING; TO ALLOW A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CLOSE CERTAIN EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS DURING INCLEMENT WEATHER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 578 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 579
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; TO PROHIBIT A PUBLIC EMPLOYER FROM DEDUCTING LABOR ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP DUES FROM THE COMPENSATION OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 579 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 580
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXTEND FINANCING FOR PURCHASES OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT FOR A RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 580 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 581
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING POULTRY INTEGRATORS; TO CREATE THE POULTRY INTEGRATORS DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES AND TAXPAYER PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 581 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 582
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE ACTION POULTRY FLOCK DEPOPULATION GRANT PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 582 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SENATE BILL NO. 583
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST LISTS RELATING TO PHARMACY SERVICES; TO CLARIFY THAT A PHARMACY, PHARMACIST, OR BUSINESS PROVIDING PHARMACY SERVICES MAY PURSUE A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR VIOLATIONS RELATED TO THE LAWS CONCERNING MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST LISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 583 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 584
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LOCAL INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 584 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 585
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMPLOYMENT; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN RECORDS BE PROVIDED TO AN EMPLOYEE WHO IS A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 585 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 586
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO BE KNOWN AS THE "PROTECT OUR CONSTITUTION ACT"; CONCERNING THE PERCENTAGE OF VOTES REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO VOTERS UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1; AMENDING ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1, AS AUTHORIZED BY THAT PROVISION OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 586 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 587
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE PARENTS' PEACE OF MIND ACT; TO ESTABLISH AUTHORIZATION FOR AND USE OF A MONITORING DEVICE IN A LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR WAIVERS; TO PROVIDE FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 587 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Scott, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 at this time.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK HIGH SCHOOL CHARGING WILDCATS VARSITY CHEER TEAM FOR WINNING THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 4.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 4 to SENATE BILL NO. 117

Amend Senate Bill No. 117 as engrossed S2/25/25:

Add Representative Long

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 440 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 440

Amend Senate Bill No. 440 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Rye as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 440 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 448 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 448

Amend Senate Bill No. 448 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 5, delete "a private third-party" and substitute "an"

AND

Page 2, line 7, delete "directly"

AND

Page 2, line 14, delete "or multifamily residential" and substitute "mixed use, or multifamily residential"

AND

Page 2, line 17, delete "(c)(3)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 2, line 20, delete "financing" and substitute "financing or refinancing"

AND

Page 3, line 11, delete "document" and substitute "document or collection of documents"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 19 through 21, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 8-15-106 is amended to read as follows:

8-15-106. Membership in an existing district.

(a) To become a member of an existing ~~property assessed energy~~"

AND

Page 5, delete line 26, and substitute the following:

"of the district.

(b) The agreement between members of a district shall establish the terms and conditions of the operation of the district with the limitations provided in this chapter.

(c)(1) Notwithstanding §§ 8-15-108 and 8-15-109, the method of appointment and terms of office for each member of the district board of directors may be altered by agreement of participating governmental entities.

(2) In no event shall the district board of directors be composed of fewer than seven (7) members."

AND

Page 7, line 36, delete "program"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 11, and substitute the following:

"tax billing and collection, the board of directors shall establish and the county officer may accept or reject a reasonable annual fee or one-time-per-project commission to be paid to the county assessor, the county collector, and the county treasurer."

AND

Page 8, delete line 12, and substitute the following:

~~(2)~~(c) ~~Adopt~~ The board of directors shall adopt rules consistent with this chapter or with other"

AND

Page 9, line 13, delete "and" and substitute "~~and~~"

AND

Page 9, delete line 16, and substitute the following:
"district; and

(J) A statement as to whether assessments of the district are collected publicly or privately."

AND

Page 10, line 23, delete "installation of" and substitute "installation or permanent financing of"

AND

Page 11, line 3, delete "work performed" and substitute "~~work performed~~ qualifying improvements"

AND

Page 13, line 7, delete "financing" and substitute "financing or refinancing"

AND

Page 13, delete lines 11 and 12, and substitute the following:
"(b) To establish a direct financing PACE program under this section, the governing body of the governmental entity shall adopt an ordinance which includes:"

AND

Page 13, line 13, delete "financing" and substitute "financing or refinancing"

AND

Page 13, line 16, delete "entity" and substitute "entity acting as a district"

AND

Page 13, line 17, delete "financing" and substitute "financing or refinancing"

AND

Page 13, line 26, delete "finance" and substitute "finance or refinance"

AND

Page 13, delete line 32, and substitute the following:

"(8)(A) Designation of a program administrator.

(B) If applicable, the governing body of the governmental entity shall describe any method of procurement that will be used to select and designate a third-party program administrator;"

AND

Page 13, line 36, delete "assessment;" and substitute "assessment; and"

AND

Page 14, delete lines 1 through 6

AND

Page 14, delete line 7, and substitute the following:

"(10) Direction to the preparer of tax books of the county in which the"

AND

Page 14, line 9, delete "or a stand-alone bill"

AND

Page 14, delete lines 11 and 12, and substitute the following:

"the special assessment with real property taxes."

AND

Page 14, line 14, delete "or"

AND

Page 14, delete lines 15 and 16, and substitute the following:

"(2) Delegate administration of a program to a third party under § 8-15-116 or a governmental entity acting as a district; or

(3) Authorize the private collection of PACE program assessments by the third-party program administrator or capital provider under the terms, at times, and through methods described in the financing agreement."

AND

Page 15, delete lines 6 through 10, and substitute the following:

"(f)(1) Notes and other financial instruments issued under this section are:

(A) Not general obligations of the governmental entity; and

(B) Solely payable from special assessments on eligible property benefitted by the qualifying improvements.

(2)(A) The State of Arkansas or a governmental entity shall not use public tax revenue to fund or repay a PACE program assessment.

(B) This section does not authorize a governmental entity to pledge, offer, or encumber its full faith and credit, and a governmental entity shall not pledge, offer, or encumber its full faith and credit under this section."

AND

Page 16, delete lines 17 through 19, and substitute the following:

"a manner specified in the financing agreement.

(2) Assessments privately collected by a third-party program administrator under § 8-15-114(c)(3) may be collected at times specified by the financing agreement.

(3) Money derived from the imposition and collection of a PACE"

AND

Page 16, line 20, delete "kept" and substitute "accounted for"

AND

Page 16, line 22, delete "(3)" and substitute "(4)"

AND

Page 16, delete line 34, and substitute the following:

"property when it is filed of record in the county recorder's office in the county in"

AND

Page 16, line 35, delete "for record"

AND

Page 17, delete lines 6 and 7, and substitute the following:

"(D) The grantee's name, which shall be the governmental entity or district on whose authority the qualifying improvement is approved;"

AND

Page 18, delete line 13, and substitute the following:
"(l) The governmental entity or district on whose authority the qualifying improvement was authorized shall"

AND

Page 18, delete lines 19 and 20, and substitute the following:
"property having a delinquent special assessment lien, the governmental entity or district on whose authority the qualifying improvement was authorized may:"

AND

Page 18, line 29, delete "county" and substitute "governmental entity or district"

AND

Page 19, delete line 6, and substitute the following:
"or other matters of local concern against cities, counties, and school districts."

AND

Page 21, line 2, delete "Arkansas" and substitute "Arkansas and cities and counties of this state"

AND

Page 21, line 10, delete "financings" and substitute "financing"

AND

Page 21, line 11, delete "chapter" and substitute "chapter or obtain any other financing obligation authorized by this chapter, the laws of the State of Arkansas, or the Arkansas Constitution"

AND

Page 21, line 33, delete "district" and substitute "district or a nonprofit corporation acting in concert with a district"

AND

Page 21, line 35, delete "district" and substitute "district or the board of directors of a nonprofit corporation acting in concert with a district"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 448 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 469 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 469

Amend Senate Bill No. 469 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Beaty Jr.

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 469 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 483 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 483

Amend Senate Bill No. 483 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Maddox as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 483 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 505 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 505

Amend Senate Bill No. 505 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"under § 14-56-422 or § 14-56-423.

(3) Decisions rendered on administrative changes of a zone or district designation under subdivision (d)(1) of this section may be appealed to the planning commission of the municipality."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 505 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 464 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 464

Amend Senate Bill No.464 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 12, delete "PRODUCED;" and substitute "PRODUCED; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING SALES OF RAW MILK; TO ALLOW SALES OF RAW MILK AND RAW MILK PRODUCTS AT LOCATIONS OTHER THAN THE FARM WHERE THE RAW MILK OR RAW MILK PRODUCT WAS PRODUCED; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 3, delete line 27, and substitute the following:
"consumption of the raw milk product.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that under present state law, raw milk products are not allowed to be sold in farmers' markets; that legalizing the sale of raw milk products, especially unpasteurized cheese, increases the potential for farmers to produce more products for sale; that farmers need immediate certainty on the law to be able to produce raw milk products, especially as the biggest goat cheese production month is April; and that this act is immediately necessary to provide certainty on the law concerning the sale of raw milk products. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 464 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 290 at this time.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 290 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 290

Amend Senate Bill No. 290 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-3-309(f), concerning authorization for a committee or subcommittee to vote to not approve a rule under the section, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(5) A committee or subcommittee under this section considering a rule to institute a moratorium in a watershed or other body of water under § 15-23-107 is not required to state the grounds under subdivision (f)(1) of this section when not approving a rule.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 15, Chapter 23, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

15-23-107. Prohibition on moratorium in watersheds and other bodies of water — Definition.

(a) As used in this section, "moratorium" means a prohibition on the issuance of permits or any other limitation on agricultural production, including without limitation, livestock and poultry operations, contained animal feeding operations, and the cultivation of crops and orchards.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, a state agency, including without limitation the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Energy and Environment, shall not institute a moratorium on the issuance of permits in a watershed or other body of water.

(c)(1) In order for a state agency to institute a moratorium related to a watershed or other body of water, the state agency shall:

(A) Promulgate a rule to institute the moratorium;

(B)(i) Follow the procedure under the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq.

(ii) If the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq., does not apply to the state agency, the state agency shall follow the

law governing the adequate administrative procedures for the state agency; and

(C) Obtain review and approval of the state agency rule under § 10-3-309.

(2)(A) A moratorium reviewed and approved under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall expire four (4) years after the effective date of the rule.

(B) A state agency that wishes to continue a moratorium shall submit the moratorium to the Legislative Council for review and approval sufficiently in advance of the expiration date described under subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section to continue the moratorium.

(C) If the state agency fails to submit a moratorium to the Legislative Council for review and approval prior to the expiration date or if the Legislative Council does not approve the moratorium, the moratorium shall expire at the expiration date.

(d) This section does not prohibit a state agency from seeking review and approval for a proposed emergency rule under § 10-3-309 and § 25-15-204 to impose a moratorium to protect the public from imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare or compliance with a federal law or regulation.

(e) If a state agency does not have statutory authority to impose a moratorium, this section does not create the authority for a moratorium.

SECTION 3. DO NOT CODIFY. Existing moratoriums.

(a) A moratorium related to a watershed or other body of water instituted before the effective date of this act shall go through the rule review and approval process required under § 15-23-107(c) within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this act to remain enforceable.

(b) If a state agency does not submit the moratorium for review and approval as required by subsection (a) of this section, the moratorium related to a watershed or other body of water instituted before the effective date of this act shall expire immediately.

(c) If a moratorium related to a watershed or other body of water instituted before the effective date of this act is not approved under § 15-23-107(c), the moratorium shall expire immediately.

SECTION 4. DO NOT CODIFY. Effective date.

This act shall be effective on and after January 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 290 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 9 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 9

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, *C. PENZO, C. TUCKER*

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE MAKE ARKANSAS HEALTHY AGAIN ACT; TO PROHIBIT A PERSON OR ENTITY FROM MANUFACTURING, SELLING, DELIVERING, DISTRIBUTING, HOLDING, OR OFFERING FOR SALE A FOOD PRODUCT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION THAT CONTAINS CERTAIN SUBSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 9 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 9. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Hickey, Hill, Stubblefield.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Rice.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 9 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 120 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 120
As Engrossed: S3/5/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, UNGER, RYE, *K. MOORE, L. JOHNSON*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE LICENSURE FOR ALL PRIVATE CARE AGENCIES IN THIS STATE; TO ENSURE CONSUMER PROTECTION FOR VULNERABLE AGING ADULTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Penzo requested that Senate Bill No. 120 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 120 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1555 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1555

Amend House Bill No. 1555 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 3, delete "(B) If" and substitute "(B)(i) Except as otherwise provided under subdivision (a)(1)(B)(ii) of this section, if"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 6 through 9, and substitute the following:
"municipality may appoint any qualified elector of the municipality.

(ii) A member of the governing body of the municipality shall not fill a vacancy under this section; or"

AND

Page 2, line 14, delete "(B) If" and substitute "(B)(i) Except as otherwise provided under subdivision (a)(2)(B)(ii) of this section, if"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 17 through 19, and substitute the following:
"muncipality to serve in the office until the office is filled at the special election.

(ii) A member of the governing body of the municipality shall not fill a vacancy under this section."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1555 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 123 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 123

As Engrossed: S2/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, TORRES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COVERAGE FOR MAMMOGRAMS AND BREAST ULTRASOUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 123 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 123. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.123 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 238 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 238
As Engrossed: S2/27/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE USED TIRE RECYCLING AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 238 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.
Senator Payton closed for the bill.

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 238. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hester, Johnson, B., Wallace.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Dismang, Hammer, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.238 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 325 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 325

As Engrossed: S3/12/25 S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; TO AMEND THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING REINSTATEMENT OF PARENTAL RIGHTS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE CHILD MALTREATMENT CENTRAL REGISTRY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 325 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Love, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Scott.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Leding, Murdock.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 325 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 326 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 326

As Engrossed: S3/12/25 S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; TO AMEND THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT; TO MODIFY GUIDELINES FOR A JUDGMENT MADE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF A CHILD; TO AMEND PROCEDURES AROUND REPORTING IN CHILD MALTREATMENT, DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT, AND FAMILY-IN-NEED-OF-SERVICES MATTERS; TO AMEND PROCEDURES REGARDING SCREENINGS FOR CHILD MALTREATMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 326 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 326.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Love, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.326 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 331 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 331

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING COVERAGE FOR GENETIC TESTING FOR INHERITED CANCER MUTATIONS; TO CREATE THE GENETIC TESTING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 331 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 331. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 331 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 348 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 348
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANNUAL CAP FOR DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY SERVICES WITHIN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 348 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 348. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Hickey.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 348, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Hickey.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 348 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 371 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 371

As Engrossed: S3/12/25 S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, *IRVIN*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, VAUGHT, WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MISSING CHILDREN; TO ESTABLISH A STANDARDIZED SYSTEM TO AID IN THE SEARCH OF MISSING CHILDREN WHO DO NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR ACTIVATION OF THE ARKANSAS AMBER ALERT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 371 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 371. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.371 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator King, Senate Bill No. 410 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 410
As Engrossed: S3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF EMPLOYMENT FOR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES AND FORMER ELECTED OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 410 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Flowers, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 17

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Hester, Johnson, M., Stone.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dees, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Johnson, B., McKee, Sullivan.

Total 7

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd, Petty.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....27

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So, the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator King moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 410 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 410 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 31, 2025.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 459 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 459

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MINIMUM AGE NECESSARY TO ADJUDICATE A JUVENILE DELINQUENT; TO REQUIRE THAT A JUVENILE WHO IS NINE YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER AND CAUSES THE DEATH OF ANOTHER PERSON TO BE ADJUDICATED A JUVENILE IN A FAMILY IN NEED OF SERVICES MATTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 459 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 459. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.459 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 463 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 463
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, C. PENZO, M. JOHNSON, R. MURDOCK, J. PETTY, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, MCALINDON, BEATY JR., GRAMLICH, ACHOR, J. MOORE, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO APPROVE OR DENY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS CONCERNING CLOSING OR ELIMINATING ELECTRIC GENERATION UNITS OR TRANSMISSION ASSETS BETWEEN PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CERTAIN ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 463 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 463. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 463 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 471 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 471
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CANDIDATES FOR NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS; TO ALLOW CERTAIN CANDIDATES FOR NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS TO USE THE TITLE OF THE NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE ON THE BALLOT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 471 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 471. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Davis, Hester.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No .471 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 473 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 473
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD TO ADVISE THE ARKANSAS FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY ON CERTAIN MATTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 473 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Gilmore, Leding, C. Penzo, Wallace.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Davis, English, King.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Hammer, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 473 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 479 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 479

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER ASSISTANCE; TO REQUIRE A PERSON ASSISTING A VOTER WITH A DISABILITY TO PRESENT IDENTIFICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 479 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 479. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 479 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 480 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 480
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE INVESTMENT OF STATE FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 480 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 480. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 480 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 486 at this time.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 486 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 486

Amend Senate Bill No. 486 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 27, delete "sex, male, and female" and substitute ""sex", "male", and "female""

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "Safety and Privacy in Shelters" and substitute "Safety and privacy in shelters"

AND

Page 3, line 26, delete "the date of" and substitute "the date"

AND

Page 3, line 26, delete "the cause of action." and substitute "the cause of action arises."

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "Safety and Privacy in State Correctional Facilities" and substitute "Safety and privacy in state correctional facilities"

AND

Page 5, delete line 29

AND

Page 5, delete line 32, and substitute the following:
"for exclusive use by the opposite sex; or

(4) Assigning a transgender or intersex inmate in a housing or programming assignment on a case-by-case basis to ensure the health and safety of the inmate under 28 C.F.R. § 115.42, as it existed on January 1, 2025."

AND

Page 5, line 35, delete "damages and"

AND

Page 6, line 8, delete "damages and"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 10 through 15, and substitute the following:

"(i)(1) The Arkansas State Claims Commission shall have jurisdiction under § 19-10-201 et seq. over all claims made under subsection (g) or subsection (h) of this section for damages otherwise barred by the doctrine of sovereign immunity.

(2) A claim made under subdivision (i)(1) of this section shall be filed within two (2) years of the date the cause of action arises.

(j)(1) A civil action brought under subsection (g) or subsection (h) of this section shall be commenced within two (2) years of the date the cause of action

arises.

(2)(A) A person who substantially prevails in an action brought under subsection (g) or subsection (h) of this section may file a claim with the commission to recover reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation expenses reasonably incurred under § 19-10-204.

(B) A claim for reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation expenses reasonably incurred under subdivision (j)(2)(A) of this section shall be filed with the commission within sixty (60) days of the final disposition of the action."

AND

Page 6, line 19, delete "Safety and Privacy in Local Correctional Facilities" and substitute "Safety and privacy in local correctional facilities"

AND

Page 8, delete line 15

AND

Page 8, delete line 18, and substitute the following:
"for exclusive use by the opposite sex; or

(4) Assigning a transgender or intersex inmate in a housing or programming assignment on a case-by-case basis to ensure the health and safety of the inmate under 28 C.F.R. § 115.42, as it existed on January 1, 2025."

AND

Page 8, line 33, delete "the date of" and substitute "the date"

AND

Page 8, line 34, delete "the cause of action." and substitute "the cause of action arises."

AND

Page 11, line 17, delete "damages" and substitute "damages, if the governmental entity is a political subdivision of the state"

AND

Page 11, line 27, delete "damages" and substitute "damages, if the governmental entity is a political subdivision of the state"

AND

Page 11, delete lines 30 through 35, and substitute the following:

"(c)(1) The Arkansas State Claims Commission shall have jurisdiction under § 19-10-201 et seq. over all claims made under subsection (a) or subsection (b) of this section for damages otherwise barred by the doctrine of sovereign immunity.

(2) A claim made under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall be filed within two (2) years of the date the cause of action arises.

(d)(1) A civil action brought under subsection (a) or subsection (b) of this section shall be commenced within two (2) years of the date the cause of action arises.

(2)(A) A person who substantially prevails in an action brought under subsection (a) or subsection (b) of this section may file a claim with the commission to recover reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation expenses reasonably incurred under § 19-10-204.

(B) A claim for reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation expenses reasonably incurred under subdivision (d)(2)(A) of this section shall be filed with the commission within sixty (60) days of the final disposition of the action."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 486 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 491 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 491
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A VENDOR THAT CONTRACTS WITH THE OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT FOR SERVICES FOR THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION TO SUBMIT DATA FOR VERIFICATION BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A VENDOR THAT PROVIDES INACCURATE DATA; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 491 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 491. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 491, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 491 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 510 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 510
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE CROSS DEPUTIZATION OF MUNICIPAL, COUNTY, STATE, AND TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ON FEDERALLY-RECOGNIZED TRIBAL LAND WITHIN THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 510 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 510. Motion caried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.510 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1327 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1327
As Engrossed: H2/25/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN RETIRED EMPLOYEES UNDER THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1327 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1327. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1327 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1382 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1382

As Engrossed: H2/12/25 S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTING BY THE DESIGNATED PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR THE STATE AND THE DESIGNATED CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE STATE TO THE HOSPITAL, MEDICAID, AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES STUDY SUBCOMMITTEE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1382 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1382. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1382 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1444 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1444
As Engrossed: H2/27/25 S3/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR DATA CENTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1444 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, Davis, Gilmore, McKee, Payton, Rice.

Total 6

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1444 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1509 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1509

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT FINANCIAL PRIVACY ACT; TO PROHIBIT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FROM USING CERTAIN DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1509 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1509. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1509 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1574 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1574
As Engrossed: H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING *PAID CANVASSERS*; TO REQUIRE DOMICILE IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1574 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Tucker.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Gilmore.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1574 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1590 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1590

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO COMBINE THE OFFICES OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR IN WOODRUFF COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1590 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1590. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1590 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1591 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1591
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO COMBINE THE OFFICES OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR IN ARKANSAS COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1591 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1591. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1591 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, House Bill No. 1637 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1637

As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RAY, *S. MEEKS*

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT AND PRESENTATION OF FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENTS CONCERNING THE FISCAL IMPACT OF STATEWIDE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM MEASURES AND LEGISLATIVELY REFERRED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1637 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1637. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1637 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1669 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1669

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE KEEP KIDS FIRST ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR PROTECTIONS FROM DISCRIMINATION FOR ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SINCERELY HELD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS; TO PROVIDE A VEHICLE FOR RECOVERY BY ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SINCERELY HELD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS WHEN CERTAIN DISCRIMINATORY ACTIONS ARE TAKEN AGAINST THE FAITH-BASED ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Dismang spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark closed for the bill.

House Bill No. 1669 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Dees, Hester, Johnson, M., King, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 15

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dismang, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Flippo, Johnson, B., McKee.

Total 5

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

House Bill No. 1669 was returned to the House having failed to pass.

Senator Hammer moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1669 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1669 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on March 31, 2025.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1693 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1693
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DAMAGED OR DEFECTIVE BALLOTS; TO ALLOW THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO PROMULGATE RULES REGARDING THE DUPLICATION OF DAMAGED OR DEFECTIVE BALLOTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1693 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1693. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Irvin.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1693 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Penzo moved to extract House Bill No. 1180 from the Education Committee.

Senator Davis spoke against the motion.
Senator Clark spoke for the motion.
Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the motion.
Senator Tucker spoke against the motion.
Senator Sullivan spoke on the motion.
Senator Dotson spoke on the motion.
Senator Blake Johnson spoke on the motion
Senator Penzo closed for the motion.

By voice vote, the motion failed. A roll call was requested. Five hands were seen.

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Hammer, Johnson, M., King, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.
Total 11

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dismang, English, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 15
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Flippo, Flowers, McKee, Petty, Sullivan.
Total 8
EXCUSED: Irvin.
Total 1
VOTING PRESENT:
Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....26
Necessary to the passage of the motion.....18

The motion failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 562 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator HILL, Senate Bill No. 562 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 92 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 92

JBC 03/20/25 (9)

Amend Senate Bill No. 92 as engrossed S3/10/25:

Page 17, line 21, delete "0" and insert "450,000"

AND

Page 17, line 23, delete " $1,855,219" and insert " $2,305,219".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 92 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 93 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 93

JBC 03/20/25 (6 &11)

Amend Senate Bill No. 93 as engrossed S3/10/25:

Page 4, delete lines 13-14 in their entirety and substitute the following:

" (E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	300,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$9,486,835"

AND

Page 15, line 30, delete " $97,487,318" and substitute " $277,487,318"

AND

Page 15, immediately following SECTION 24, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - ASTHMA TRAINING AND TREATMENT PROGRAM GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants for expenses related to providing asthma treatment in local school districts, asthma treatment equipment for school districts, school personnel training, and monitoring and tracking of asthma cases in local public school districts by the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	ASTHMA TRAINING AND TREATMENT PROGRAM GRANTS	$1,000,000"

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 93 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 106 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 106

JBC 3/20/25 (5)

Amend Senate Bill No. 106 as engrossed S1/29/25:

On page 21, line 33, delete "959,272" and substitute "1,095,272"

AND

On page 22, line 6, delete "$1,519,272" and substitute "$1,655,272"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 106 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 130 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 130

JBC 3/20/'2025 (1b)

Amend Senate Bill No. 130 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 29, delete "1" and substitute "4"

AND

Page 10, line 36, delete "2,267" and substitute "2,270".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG
(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE WOOTEN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 130 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 392 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 392

JBC 3/20/25 (1a)

Amend Senate Bill No. 392 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 6, Add Representative Wooten as a Co-Sponsor

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 392 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 117, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
BY REPRESENTATIVE LONG,
SENATE BILL NO. 440, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 448, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 464, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 469, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,
SENATE BILL NO. 483, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 505, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 290, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 486, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 290 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 486 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,
BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 355, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 449, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 511, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 512, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 513, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 514, BY SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 428, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 429, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 430, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 426, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 442, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 537, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 539, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 427, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 431, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1757, BY REPRESENTATIVE CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1745, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 588
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO ESTABLISH A WINERY PRIVATE CLUB PERMIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 588 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 589
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE 340B PROGRAM TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO REQUIRE TRANSPARENCY FROM CERTAIN 340B-COVERED ENTITIES CONCERNING THE USE OF 340B PROGRAM SAVINGS; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN 340B-COVERED ENTITIES TO ANNUALLY REPORT THE UTILIZATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF 340B PROGRAM SAVINGS TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 589 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 590
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR GILMORE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RECIDIVISM REDUCTION SYSTEM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 590 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 591
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT RACE-SELECTION ABORTION IN THIS STATE; TO CREATE THE RACE DISCRIMINATION BY ABORTION PROHIBITION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 591 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 592
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT; TO REQUIRE A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION TO RENEW CERTAIN CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT AT THE HIGHEST INTEREST RATE CLOSEST TO THE TERM OF THE PREVIOUS CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT AND FOR THE SAME TERM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 592 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 593
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO CREATE THE PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 593 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 594
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION TO SUPPLY A PUBLIC SERVICE OR TO EXTEND A PUBLIC SERVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 594 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 595
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION OF A MINOR; TO PROVIDE FOR A MINOR'S RIGHT TO CONSULT WITH HIS OR HER PARENT OR GUARDIAN BEFORE A CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 595 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Senate Bill No. 227 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 324 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 320 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 320 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Senate Bill No. 91 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 232 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 271 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 275 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 280 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 319 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 327 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 329 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 344 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 368 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 378 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 380 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 388 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 401 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 403 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 414 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 432 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 92, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 93, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 106, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 130, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 92 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 93 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 106 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 130 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 392, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 596
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ENERGY; TO ESTABLISH A STATE ENERGY POLICY; TO REGULATE RETIREMENT OF DISPATCHABLE ELECTRIC GENERATION FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 596 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1290

As Engrossed: H2/6/25 H2/11/25 H2/20/25 H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS EXAMINATIONS; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS SUPPORT OF MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS EXAMINATIONS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1290 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1296

As Engrossed: H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES PROVIDED IN MOBILE UNITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1296 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1314

As Engrossed: H2/27/25 H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN AUDITS OF HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL AUDIT BILL OF RIGHTS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1314 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1333

As Engrossed: H2/3/25 H3/12/25 H3/13/25 H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, D. GARNER, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, CAVENAUGH, ENNETT, GONZALES WORTHEN, J. MAYBERRY, MCCULLOUGH, T. SHEPHARD, SPRINGER, CLOWNEY

BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, *IRVIN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR BREASTFEEDING AND LACTATION CONSULTANT SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1333 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1455
As Engrossed: H3/4/25 H3/12/25 H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING PRIVATE *CLUBS;* TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PRIVATE CLUBS TO PURCHASE CERTAIN PRODUCTS DIRECTLY FROM A SMALL BREWERY PERMIT !HOLDER UNDER AN EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1455 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1543
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; TO ESTABLISH THE WORKFORCE EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1543 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1571
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ADULT DIPLOMA PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1571 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES B. MCKENZIE, ET AL
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOBBYING FOR A COVERED FOREIGN ENTITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1662 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1611
As Engrossed: H3/10/25 H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF ANIMAL FIGHTING WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFENSE OF UNLAWFUL ANIMAL FIGHTING; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF UNLAWFUL ROOSTER FIGHTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1611 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1658
As Engrossed: H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO DEFINE "DEPLOYMENT" FOR PURPOSES OF THE EXCEPTION TO THE ASSESSMENT OF PENALTIES RELATED TO PROPERTY TAXES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1658 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1701

As Engrossed: H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GONZALES, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SEWER COLLECTION AND SEWER TREATMENT PROVIDERS AND RELATED SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1701 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1703

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE A DRUG REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS FOR CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1703 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1729
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION ACT; TO PROVIDE THAT A HOMESTEAD OWNED BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1729 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1749
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE UNIFORM TRUST DECANTING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1749 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1759
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY AND THE PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF TIME A TAXPAYER HAS TO ASSESS TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED DURING A CERTAIN TIME PERIOD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1759 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1767
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL; TO CREATE THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE; TO TRANSFER THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1767 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1771
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURES TO POLICYHOLDERS; TO REQUIRE MONTHLY REPORTING BY INSURERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1771 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1777
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF SEXUALLY GROOMING A CHILD; TO INCLUDE BRIBING OR ATTEMPTING TO BRIBE A CHILD IN THE OFFENSE OF SEXUALLY GROOMING A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1777 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1778
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF STALKING TO INCLUDE PLACING A PERSON IN FEAR OF SEXUAL ACTS AGAINST HIMSELF OR HERSELF OR HIS OR HER FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBER; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF COURSE OF CONDUCT WITH RESPECT TO STALKING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1778 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1779
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO THEFT OF PROPERTY; TO ENHANCE THE OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION FOR THE THEFT OF A POSTAL PACKAGE DELIVERED TO A PERSON'S RESIDENCE AND LEFT WITHIN THE CURTILAGE OF THE RESIDENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1779 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1788
As Engrossed: H3/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO REDUCE THE TIME ALLOWED FOR PROCESSING AN APPLICATION OF A PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1788 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1796
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DISPLAY OF GENDER INFORMATION ON AN ARKANSAS DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1796 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1798

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GREEN ENVELOPE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1798 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1799

As Engrossed: H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMISSIBLE METHODS OF REPORTING UNDER THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1799 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1801
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN OUTSOURCING FACILITY OF LEGEND DRUGS AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THAT COMPOUNDS A PRODUCT TO SELL THE COMPOUNDED PRODUCT TO CERTAIN ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1801 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1808
As Engrossed: H3/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS; TO CREATE THE BILL OF RIGHTS FOR FIREFIGHTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1808 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1817

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELIJAH'S LAW IN ARKANSAS; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE ANAPHYLAXIS POLICY FOR CHILDCARE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1817 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1830

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT OF CONTINGENCY FEE CONTRACTS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1830 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1831
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1831 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1835
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECORD SEALING UPON COMPLETION OF A SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM; TO UPDATE AND CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING DRUG COURT, MENTAL HEALTH COURT, VETERANS COURT, AND DWI/BWI SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1835 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1838
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROBATE ACTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADOPTION AND GUARDIANSHIP; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1838 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1839
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROCEDURES FOR THE DECLARATION OF LEGAL DEATH OF A MISSING PERSON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1839 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1840
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT TO ENSURE THAT SEDATION DENTISTRY IS COVERED BY RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1840 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1841
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS REVENUE INVESTMENT IN VITAL EMS SYSTEMS (ARRIVES) ACT; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS REVENUE INVESTMENT IN VITAL EMS SYSTEMS (ARRIVES) FUND FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1841 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1844
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF FLEEING BY MEANS OF A VEHICLE OR CONVEYANCE; TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR A PERSON WHO JUMPS FROM A MOVING VEHICLE OR CONVEYANCE WHILE FLEEING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1844 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1845
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ELECTRONIC ADMINISTRATION OF DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE TRANSFER AND OWNERSHIP OF MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH AN ELECTRONIC LIEN SYSTEM, AN ELECTRONIC TITLING SYSTEM, AND AN ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM; TO ALLOW FOR AN ELECTRONIC APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATE OF TITLE; TO AUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF A SECURE DIGITAL VEHICLE TITLE SYSTEM; TO AUTHORIZE ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATES OF TITLE; TO ALLOW FOR ELECTRONIC DISCLOSURE OF ODOMETER READINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1845 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1848
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, K. MOORE, MCCULLOUGH, EUBANKS
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE PRESUMPTION THAT AN AWARD OF JOINT CUSTODY BETWEEN PARENTS IS IN A CHILD'S BEST INTEREST WHEN THERE IS DOMESTIC ABUSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1848 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

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AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
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HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1382 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1444 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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SEVENTY-NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 1, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 o'clock by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Mr. Jon Stone.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal with dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 82 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 82

Amend Senate Bill 82 as originally introduced:

Add Senators J. Boyd, Dees, J. Dotson, Flippo, Hill, B. Johnson, M. Johnson, G. Leding, F. Love, M. McKee, C. Penzo, J. Petty, Rice, Stone, G. Stubblefield, D. Sullivan, C. Tucker

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 82 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 120 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 120

Amend Senate Bill No. 120 as engrossed S3/5/25:

Add Senator Irvin

AND

Page 3, delete lines 31 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(A) Submit to:

(i) A federal criminal background check if the applicant has not lived continuously in this state in the last five (5) years;

(ii) A state criminal background check under § 20-38-101 et seq., including any exemptions under § 20-38-101 et seq.; and

(iii) A check of registries of this state or another state, including without limitation a child maltreatment registry and an adult maltreatment registry; and"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 120 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 332 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 332

Amend Senate Bill No. 332 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 27, delete "Education" and substitute "Education Public School".

Amend Senate Bill 332 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 27, delete "Education" and substitute "Education Public School".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 332 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 434 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 434

Amend Senate Bill 434 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 10 through 16, and substitute the following:
"CONCERNING THE PERCENTAGE OF VOTES REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO VOTERS UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1; AMENDING ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1, AS AUTHORIZED BY THAT PROVISION OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO CREATE THE "PROTECT OUR CONSTITUTION ACT"; TO AMEND A PORTION OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AS AUTHORIZED BY ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 31 through 36, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Pursuant to the authority granted by Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, the subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Majority" is amended to read as follows:

Majority. (a)(1) ~~Any~~ Except as provided in subdivision (a)(2) of this section, any measure submitted to the people as herein provided shall take effect and become a law when approved by a majority of the votes cast upon such measure, and not otherwise, and shall not be required to receive a majority of the electors voting at such election.

(2) A constitutional amendment submitted to the people as herein provided shall take effect and become a law when approved by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast upon such measure.

(b) ~~Such measures~~ After a measure has been approved by a vote of the people, the measure shall be operative on and after the thirtieth day after the election at which it is approved, unless otherwise specified in the ~~Act~~ measure.

(c) This section shall not be construed to deprive any member of the General Assembly of the right to introduce any measure, but no measure shall be submitted to the people by the General Assembly, except a proposed constitutional amendment or amendments as provided for in this Constitution.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to the authority granted by Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, the subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Conflicting Measures", is amended to read as follows:

Conflicting Measures. If conflicting measures initiated or referred to the people shall be approved ~~by a majority of the votes severally cast for and against the same~~ as herein provided at the same election, the one receiving the highest number of affirmative votes shall become law.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that amendments to the Arkansas Constitution impact the public peace, health, and safety of each citizen of this state; that to protect the public peace, health, and safety of the citizens of this state, it is necessary to increase the threshold for passage of a constitutional amendment proposed under Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, to ensure that constitutional amendments are supported by an appropriate number of voters to justify an amendment to the Arkansas Constitution; and that this act should become effective at the earliest opportunity to ensure that its provisions are in place for the 2026 general election. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 5

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 434 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 439

Amend Senate Bill No. 439 as engrossed S3/20/25:

Page 75, delete line 7, and substitute the following:

"(b) A provision of law existing on the effective date of this act shall be superseded by this section to the extent the provision states or"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 447 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 447

Amend Senate Bill No. 447 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 1, delete "spirits, wine," and substitute "alcoholic beverages"

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "or beer"

AND

Page 2, line 18, delete "gallons of each type" and substitute "weight"

AND

Page 2, line 22, delete "and including the:" and substitute ";"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 23 through 32, and substitute the following:

"(E) Common carrier's parcel tracking number for the shipment;

(F) Recipient's zip code; and

(G) Name and business address for each supplier or manufacturer of each delivery."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 447 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 530 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 530

Amend Senate Bill No. 530 as originally introduced:

Add Senators J. Dismang, J. English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Irvin, B. Johnson, M. Johnson, M. McKee, Rice, J. Scott, Stone as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Add Representatives Achor, Andrews, Barker, Beaty Jr., Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, M. Brown, Joey Carr, Childress, Clowney, C. Cooper, Crawford, Eaton, Eaves, Eubanks, Furman, Gazaway, Gramlich, Hall, Hawk, Holcomb, Hollowell, Jean, Magie, McClure, McGruder, S. Meeks, Milligan, K. Moore, Painter, Perry, Pilkington, Richmond, Rye, Springer, Wardlaw, Warren, Wooten as cosponsors of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 530 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 560 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 560

Amend Senate Bill No. 560 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Tosh as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 560 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 568 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 568

Amend Senate Bill 568 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 24, and substitute the following:

"(1) "Direct compensation" means wages, salaries, bonuses, and commissions;

(2) "Eligible facility costs" means expenditures for the"

AND

Page 2, line 30, delete "(2)" and substitute "(3)"

AND

Page 2, delete line 35, and substitute the following:
"products;

(4) "Indirect compensation" means actual costs incurred for:

(A) Health, life, and disability insurance coverage;

(B) Retirement benefits, including without limitation pensions, annuities, and matching retirement fund contributions; and

(C) Moving, relocation, and housing benefits;"

AND

Page 2, line 36, delete "(3)(A)" and substitute "(5)(A)"

AND

Page 3, line 35, delete "(a)(3)(B)(i)" and substitute "(a)(5)(B)(i)"

AND

Page 3, line 36, delete "(4)" and substitute "(6)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 6 and 7, and substitute the following:
"(B) Annually pays total direct compensation and indirect compensation of at least three million dollars ($3,000,000) to employees within"

AND

Page 4, line 12, delete "(5)" and substitute "(7)"

AND

Page 4, line 18, delete "(6)" and substitute "(8)"

AND

Page 5, line 32, delete "(a)(4)(A)" and substitute "(a)(6)(A)"

AND

Page 5, line 33, delete "any sales" and substitute "any state sales"

AND

Page 5, line 36, delete "(e)(1)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 6, line 4, delete "(a)(4)(B)" and substitute "(a)(6)(B)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 6 through 8

AND

Page 6, line 14, delete "(a)(4)(A)" and substitute "(a)(6)(A)"

AND

Page 6, line 17, delete "(a)(4)(B)" and substitute "(a)(6)(B)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 568 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1656 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1656

Amend House Bill 1656 as engrossed S3/19/25:

Page 1, line 12, delete "TO"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 13 and 14, and substitute the following:
"TO ADDRESS"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 18 through 23

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "(e)(1)" and substitute "(d)(1)"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "(f)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 9 through 11

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1656 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1803 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1803

Amend House Bill 1803 as originally introduced:

Add Senator M. Johnson as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1803 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 426 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 426

Amend Senate Bill No. 426 as engrossed S3/20/25:

Page 2, delete lines 23 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(c) The enhanced penalty under this section is as follows:

(1) If the person is convicted of a Class D felony or an unclassified

felony with a maximum authorized term of imprisonment that does not exceed six (6) years, the enhanced penalty shall be an additional term of years not to exceed four (4) years;

(2) If the person is convicted of a Class C felony, a Class B felony, a Class A felony, or an unclassified felony with a maximum authorized term of imprisonment that is greater than six (6) years, but does not exceed thirty (30) years, the enhanced penalty shall be an additional term of years not to exceed ten (10) years; and

(3) If the person is convicted of a Class Y felony or an unclassified felony with a maximum authorized term of imprisonment that exceeds thirty (30) years or that includes a life sentence, the enhanced penalty shall be an additional term of years not to exceed twenty (20) years."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 426 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 427 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 427

Amend Senate Bill No. 427 as originally introduced:

Delete the title in its entirety, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO AMEND PROMOTING PROSTITUTION OFFENSES; TO ENHANCE THE PENALTIES FOR PROMOTING PROSTITUTION IN THE FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD DEGREE; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF PROMOTING PROSTITUTION AT A BUSINESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND PROMOTING
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES; TO
ENHANCE THE PENALTIES FOR
PROMOTING PROSTITUTION IN THE
FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD DEGREE;
AND TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF
PROMOTING PROSTITUTION AT A
BUSINESS."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §§ 5-70-104 — 5-70-106 are amended to read as follows:

5-70-104. Promoting prostitution in the first degree.

(a) A person commits the offense of promoting prostitution in the first degree if he or she knowingly:

(1) Advances prostitution by compelling a person by use of physical force, ~~or~~ intimidation, or coercion to engage in prostitution ~~or profits from such coercive conduct by another~~; ~~or~~

(2) Profits from conduct prohibited under subdivision (a)(1) of this section that is committed by another person; or

(3) Advances prostitution or profits from prostitution of a person less than eighteen (18) years of age.

(b) Promoting prostitution in the first degree is a:

(1) ~~Class D felony under subdivision (a)(1) of this section~~ Class C felony for a first offense; or

(2) Class B felony ~~under subdivision (a)(2) of this section~~ for a second or subsequent offense.

(c)(1) In addition to any other sentence authorized by this section, a person who violates this section ~~by offering to pay, agreeing to pay, or paying a fee to engage in sexual activity~~ upon conviction shall be ordered to pay a fine of ~~two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500):~~

(A) Two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) for a first offense;

(B) Five thousand dollars ($5,000) for a second offense; or

(C) Ten thousand dollars ($10,000) for a third or subsequent offense.

(2) Fine payments received under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall be deposited ~~as follows:~~

~~(A) Fifty percent (50%) into the Safe Harbor Fund for Sexually Exploited Children; and~~

~~(B) Fifty percent (50%) into the Human Trafficking Victim~~

~~Support Fund~~ into the Human Trafficking Victim Support Fund, or its successor fund or successor fund account.

5-70-105. Promoting prostitution in the second degree.

(a) A person commits the offense of promoting prostitution in the second degree if he or she knowingly ~~advances prostitution or profits from prostitution by managing, supervising, controlling, or owning, either alone or in association with another, a house of prostitution or a prostitution enterprise involving two (2) or more prostitutes~~:

(1) Manages, supervises, controls, or owns, either alone or in association with another person, a house of prostitution or a prostitution enterprise involving two (2) or more persons engaging in prostitution; or

(2) Manages or facilitates an online platforms, digital space, or any other medium used for the solicitation of prostitution or that advances prostitution.

(b) Promoting prostitution in the second degree is a ~~Class A misdemeanor~~:

(1) Class D felony for a first offense; or

(2) Class C felony for a second or subsequent offense.

(c)(1) In addition to any other sentence authorized by this section, a person who violates this section ~~by offering to pay, agreeing to pay, or paying a fee to engage in sexual activity~~ upon conviction shall be ordered to pay a fine of ~~two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500)~~:

(A) Two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) for a first offense;

(B) Five thousand dollars ($5,000) for a second offense; or

(C) Ten thousand dollars ($10,000) for a third or subsequent offense.

(2) Fine payments received under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall be deposited ~~as follows:~~

~~(A) Fifty percent (50%) into the Safe Harbor Fund for Sexually Exploited Children; and~~

~~(B) Fifty percent (50%) into the Human Trafficking Victim Support Fund~~ into the Human Trafficking Victim Support Fund, or its successor fund or successor fund account.

5-70-106. Promoting prostitution in the third degree.

(a) A person commits the offense of promoting prostitution in the third degree if:

(1) Having a possessory or proprietary interest in premises that he or she knows is being used for prostitution, the person fails to make reasonable effort to halt or abate the use for prostitution; or

(2) He or she knowingly advances prostitution or profits from prostitution.

(b) Promoting prostitution in the third degree is a ~~Class B misdemeanor~~

(1) Class A misdemeanor for a first offense; or

(2) Class D felony for a second or subsequent offense.

(c)(1) In addition to any other sentence authorized by this section, a person who violates this section ~~by offering to pay, agreeing to pay, or paying a fee to engage in sexual activity~~ upon conviction shall be ordered to pay a fine of ~~one thousand dollars ($1,000):~~

(A) Two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) for a first offense;

(B) Five thousand dollars ($5,000) for a second offense; or

(C) Ten thousand dollars ($10,000) for a third or subsequent offense.

(2) Fine payments received under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall be deposited ~~as follows:~~

~~(A) Fifty percent (50%) into the Safe Harbor Fund for Sexually Exploited Children; and~~

~~(B) Fifty percent (50%) into the Human Trafficking Victim Support Fund~~ into the Human Trafficking Victim Support Fund, or its successor fund or successor fund account.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 70, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

5-70-108. Promoting prostitution at a business — Civil liability.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Business" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, limited liability corporation, or other business entity organized under the laws of this state; and

(2) "Involved in a prostitution violation" means to the knowledge of an owner, manager, or other person with an ownership interest in the business, the business:

(A) Permits, facilitates, or allows prostitution to occur on the premises of the business or through the business's operations;

(B) Employs, contracts, or otherwise engages individuals for the purpose of prostitution or benefits from the employment, contracting with, or otherwise engaging individuals for the purpose of prostitution;

(C) Fails to take reasonable measures to prevent prostitution-related activities after receiving notice of prostitution-related activities; or

(D) Advertises, promotes, or provides a platform for the facilitation of prostitution.

(b) In addition to any other penalty or liability authorized by law, a business involved in a prostitution violation is subject to the following civil liability:

(1) For a first involvement in a prostitution violation, any business license granted under the laws of the state to the business shall be suspended for thirty (30) days, and the business shall be issued a civil penalty of five thousand dollars ($5,000);

(2) For a second involvement in a prostitution violation, any business

license granted under the laws of the state to the business shall be suspended for sixty (60) days, and the business shall be issued a civil penalty of ten thousand dollars ($10,000); and

(3) For a third or subsequent involvement in a prostitution violation, any business license granted under the laws of the state shall be revoked, and the business shall be issued a civil penalty of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000).

(c) Civil penalties received under subsection (b) of this section shall be deposited into the Human Trafficking Victim Support Fund, or its successor fund or successor fund account.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 427 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 431 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendments No. 1 & 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 431

Amend Senate Bill No. 431 as originally introduced

Page 2, delete lines 25 through 31

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 431

Amend Senate Bill 431 as originally introduced:

Delete SECTION 3 of the bill in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 431 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 442 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 442

Amend Senate Bill No. 442 as originally introduced:

Page 4, line 20, delete "transfer ral or" and substitute "transfer real or"

AND

Page 11, line 12, delete "the budget of" and substitute "the human trafficking control fund of"

AND

Page 11, delete line 28, and substitute the following:

"(5)(A) A law enforcement agency may use seized personal property or"

AND

Page 12, delete lines 20 through 36, and substitute the following:

5-5-609. Disposition of moneys received.

(a)(1) Subject to the provisions of § 5-5-606, the proceeds of sales conducted pursuant to § 5-5-608 and any moneys forfeited or obtained by judgment or settlement under this subchapter shall be deposited and distributed in the manner set forth in this section.

(2) Moneys received from a federal forfeiture shall be deposited and distributed under subsection (f) of this section.

(b) The proceeds of any sale and any moneys forfeited or obtained by judgment or settlement under this subchapter shall be deposited into the asset forfeiture fund of the prosecuting attorney and is subject to the following provisions:

(1) During a calendar year, if the the aggregate amount of moneys deposited into the asset forfeiture fund exceeds twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) per county, within fourteen (14) days of the time of the excess the prosecuting attorney shall notify the circuit judges in the judicial district and the Human Trafficking Coordinator;

(2) After the notification required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, twenty percent (20%) of the proceeds of any additional sale and any additional moneys forfeited or obtained by judgment or settlement under this subchapter in the same calendar year shall be deposited into the State Treasury as special revenues to be credited to the Arkansas Human Trafficking Council Support Fund, and the remainder shall be deposited into the asset forfeiture fund of the prosecuting attorney;

(3) Failure of the prosecuting attorney to comply with the notification requirement under subdivision (b)(1) of this section renders the prosecuting attorney and any entity eligible to receive forfeited moneys or property from the prosecuting attorney ineligible to receive forfeited moneys or property, except as provided in § 5-5-606; and

(4) Twenty percent (20%) of any moneys in excess of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) that have been retained but not reported as required by subdivision (b)(1) of this section are subject to recovery for deposit into the State Treasury as special revenues to be credited to the Arkansas Human Trafficking Council Support Fund.

(c)(1) The prosecuting attorney shall administer expenditures from the asset forfeiture fund, which is subject to audit by Arkansas Legislative Audit.

(2) Moneys distributed from the asset forfeiture fund shall only be used for law enforcement and prosecutorial purposes and moneys in the asset forfeiture fund shall be distributed in the following order:

(A) For satisfaction of any bona fide security interest or lien;

(B) For payment of any proper expense of the proceeding for forfeiture and sale, including expenses of seizure, maintenance of custody, advertising, and court costs;

(C) Any balance under two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) shall be distributed proportionally to reflect generally the contribution of the appropriate local or state law enforcement or prosecutorial agency's participation in any activity that led to the seizure or forfeiture of the property or deposit of moneys under this subchapter; and

(D) Any balance over two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) resulting from the seizure or forfeiture of property or deposit of moneys under this subchapter shall be forwarded to the Human Trafficking Coordinator to be transferred to the State Treasury for deposit into the Arkansas Human Trafficking Support Fund.

(d)(1) For a forfeiture in an amount greater than two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) from which expenses are paid for a proceeding for forfeiture and sale under subdivision (c)(2)(B) of this section, an itemized accounting of the expenses shall be delivered to the Human Trafficking Coordinator within ten (10) calendar days after the payment of the expenses.

(2) The itemized accounting shall include the expenses paid, to whom paid, and for what purposes the expenses where paid.

(e)(1)(A) There is created on the books of each law enforcement agency and prosecuting attorney a human trafficking control fund.

(B) The human trafficking control fund shall consist of any moneys obtained under subsection (b) of this section and any other revenue as may be provided by law or ordinance.

(C) Moneys in the human trafficking control fund:

(i) May not supplant other local, state, or federal funds;

(ii) Are appropriated on a continuing basis and are not subject to the Revenue Stabilization Law, § 19-5-101 et seq.; and

(iii) Shall only be used for law enforcement and prosecutorial purposes, including without limitation to provide a grant of up to one thousand dollars ($1,000) to the family of a law enforcement officer who dies in the prosecuting attorney's jurisdiction.

(D) The human trafficking control fund is subject to audit by Arkansas Legislative Audit.

(2) A law enforcement agency and prosecuting attorney shall submit to the Human Trafficking Coordinator on or before January 1 and July 1 of each year a report detailing any moneys received and expenditure made from the human trafficking control fund during the preceding six-month period.

(f)(1) Any moneys received by a prosecuting attorney or law enforcement

agency from a federal forfeiture shall be deposited and maintained in a separate account subject to the following provisions:

(A) Any balance over two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) in the separate account shall be distributed as set forth in subdivision (f)(2) of this section;

(B) No other moneys maybe maintained in the separate account except for any interest income generated by the separate account;

(C) Moneys in the separate account shall only be used for law enforcement and prosecutorial purposes consistent with governing federal law; and

(D) The separate account is subject to audit by Arkansas Legislative Audit.

(2) Any balance over two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) shall be forwarded to the Division of Arkansas State Police to be transferred to the State Treasury for deposit into the Human Trafficking Council Support Fund in which the balance shall be maintained separately and distributed consistent with governing federal law."

AND

Page 13, delete lines 1 through 35, and substitute the following:

"5-5-610. In personam proceedings."

AND

Page 15, delete line 20, and substitute the following:

"5-5-611. Forfeiture of absent, encumbered, or indivisible real or"

AND

Page 16, delete line 3, and substitute the following:

"5-5-612. Conviction required — Exceptions."

AND

Page 16, delete line 19, and substitute the following:

"under § 5-64-505 as specified in the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure;"

AND

Page 17, delete line 34, and substitute the following:

"minor for a period of at least seventy-two (72) hours."

AND

Page 18, delete line 11, and substitute the following:
"consent of his or her custodial parent, guardian, or legal custodian.

(e) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that a person acted in good faith to protect the welfare, safety, or health of the minor, and that he or she:

(1) Promptly notified law enforcement, child protective services, or another relevant authority upon discovering that the minor was an endangered runaway minor;

(2) Provided temporary care or shelter solely to protect the minor from imminent harm; or

(3) Did not have a purpose to interfere with the lawful custody or rights of a custodial parent or legal guardian of the minor."

AND

Page 25, delete line 11, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 19. Arkansas Code § 19-5-1252(b) concerning the Safe Harbor Fund for Sexually Exploited Children, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The fund shall consist of ~~fines collected under § 5-18-103(d), § 5-18-104(c), § 5-18-106(c), § 5-18-107(f), § 5-70-102(e), § 5-70-103(d), § 5-70-104(c), § 5-70-105(c), § 5-70-106(c), and § 5-70-107(e) and any other~~ general revenues as may be authorized by law.

SECTION 20. Arkansas Code § 19-5-1261 is repealed."

AND

Page 26, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

"(d) As used in the section, "victim of human trafficking" means the same as defined in § 5-18-102."

AND

Page 27, delete lines 1 through 5

AND

Page 27, delete SECTION 21 in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 21. DO NOT CODIFY. Temporary language.

(a) Any fund balance that remains in the Human Trafficking Victim Support Fund, § 19-5-1261, shall be transferred to the Arkansas Human Trafficking Council Support Fund.

(b) Any fund balance that remains in the Safe Harbor Fund for Sexually Exploited Children, § 19-5-1252, shall be transferred to the Arkansas Human

Trafficking Council Support Fund."

AND

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 442 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 537 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 537

Amend Senate Bill 537 as originally introduced:

Add Senator C. Tucker as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Add Representative M. Brown as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 2, delete lines 14 and 15, and substitute the following:
"(b) For offenses committed on or after the effective date of this section, each supervised offender who maintains eligible employment shall accrue work-for-time credits under the following conditions:"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 18 through 20, and substitute the following:
"responsible for the supervised offender's supervision at each meeting with his or her community supervision officer;"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 and 2, and substitute the following:
"a new criminal offense or if the supervised offender provides fraudulent employment documents, the supervised offender forfeits all previously accrued work-for-time credits; and"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 8 and 9, and substitute the following:
"work-for-time credit in the supervised offender's file.

(c) There is no right to appeal the denial or forfeiture of work-for-time credits under this section.

(d) The community supervision officer responsible for supervising a"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 537 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No.539 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 539

Amend Senate Bill 539 as originally introduced:

Page 7, delete lines 29 and 30, and substitute the following:
"for immediate transport and the ~~Division of Correction or the Division of Community Correction~~ department shall consider the request in scheduling inmates for"

AND

Page 7, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"of every inmate committed to ~~the Division of Correction~~ a secured facility operated or contracted by a division of the department, along with a"

AND

Page 19, delete lines 17 and 18, and substitute the following:
"(C) Increased substance abuse screening ~~and~~ or treatment, or both;"

AND

Page 24, delete line 5, and substitute the following:
"SECTION 21. Arkansas Code § 16-93-712(d)(3), concerning administrative sanctions for parolees, is amended to read as follows:

(3) Intermediate sanctions shall include without limitation:

(A) Day reporting;

(B) Community service;

(C) Increased substance abuse screening or treatment, or both;

(D) Increased monitoring, including electronic monitoring and home confinement; and

(E)(i) Incarceration in a county jail for no more than seven (7) days or incarceration in a ~~Division of Community Correction facility or Division of Correction~~ facility operated or contracted by a division of the Department of Corrections for no more than one hundred twenty (120) days.

(ii)(a) Incarceration as an intermediate sanction shall not be used more than six (6) times with an individual parolee.

(b) A parolee shall accumulate no more than twenty-one (21) days' incarceration in a county jail or no more than two hundred forty (240) days' incarceration in a ~~Division of Community Correction facility or Division of Correction~~ facility operated or contracted by a division of the department as an intermediate sanction before the community supervision officer recommends a violation of the person's parole under § 16-93-706.

(c) A parolee is subject to a period of incarceration of:

(1) Up to sixty (60) days in a D~~ivision of Community Correction facility or Division of Correction~~ facility operated or contracted by a division of the department for a technical conditions violation; and

(2) One hundred twenty (120) days in a ~~Division of Community Correction facility or Division of Correction~~ facility operated or contracted by a division of the department for a serious conditions violation.

(d) A parolee may not be incarcerated more than two (2) times as a parole sanction in a ~~Division of Community Correction facility or Division of Correction~~ operated or contracted by a division of the department facility

during a two-year period.

SECTION 22. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1202(2)(G)(i), concerning the things"

AND

Page 25, line 10, delete "center or program is" and substitute "center ~~or program~~ is"

AND

Page 28, delete lines 14 and 15, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 28. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1907(a)(3), concerning administrative sanctions for post-release supervision, is amended to read as follows:

(3) Intermediate sanctions shall include without limitation:

(A) Community service;

(B) Increased substance abuse screening and treatment;

(C) Increased monitoring, including electronic monitoring and home confinement; and

(D)(i) Incarceration in a county or regional jail for no more than seven (7) days or incarceration in a ~~Division of Correction facility or a Division of Community Correction~~ facility operated or contracted by a division of the Department of Corrections for no more than ninety (90) days.

(ii)(a) Incarceration as an intermediate sanction shall not be used more than six (6) times with an offender on post-release supervision.

(b) If an offender on post-release supervision accumulates more than thirty (30) days' incarceration in a county or regional jail or more than three hundred sixty (360) days' incarceration in a ~~Division of Correction facility or a Division of Community Correction~~ facility operated or contracted by a division of the department as an intermediate sanction, the community supervision officer shall recommend a revocation of the offender's post-release supervision under § 16-93-1908.

(c) An offender shall not be incarcerated more than two (2) times as a result of an intermediate sanction in a ~~Division of Correction~~ facility operated or contracted by a division of the department during any two-year period.

SECTION 29. DO NOT CODIFY. Temporary language.

The Residential Services Section of the Division of Community"

AND

Page 28, delete lines 18 and 19, and substitute the following:

"unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds that are utilized for the operation of"

AND

Page 28, delete lines 27 and 28, and substitute the following:
"unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds are transferred to the"

AND

Page 29, delete line 10, and substitute the following:
"overriden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

SECTION 31. DO NOT CODIFY. CONSTRUCTION.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, to the extent that a conflict exists between an act of the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly and this act:

(1) Section 1-2-107 shall not apply; and

(2) All of the enactments of each act shall be given effect except to the extent of irreconcilable conflicts, in which case the conflicting provision of this act shall prevail.

(b) This section shall not revive or re-enact any provision of the Arkansas Code that has been repealed by an act of the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly, including without limitation this act."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 539 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1303 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1303

Amend House Bill 1303 as engrossed H3/17/25:

Page 6, line 15, delete "(d)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 23 through 25, and substitute the following:
"(3) The amount of the income tax credit under this section that may be claimed by the taxpayer in a tax year shall not exceed the amount of income tax due by the taxpayer."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 28 through 36

AND

Page 7, delete lines 1 through 36

AND

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 10

AND

Page 8, delete line 11, and substitute the following:
"(c) The issuance of an income tax credit allowed"

AND

Page 8, line 19, delete "(d)(1)(B)" and substitute "(c)(1)(B)"

AND

Page 8, line 20, delete "(d)(1)(A)" and substitute "(c)(1)(A)"

AND

Page 8, line 34, delete "(d)(1)" and substitute "(c)(1)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT STONE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1303 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1724 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1724

Amend House Bill 1724 as engrossed H3/19/25:

Page 2, line 2, delete "annual school election" and substitute " ~~annual~~ school board election"

AND

Page 2, line 9, delete "combined at-large" and substitute "combined at-large and zoned"

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "or"

AND

Page 2, delete line 14, and substitute the following:

"(D) Has boundary or zone changes as a result of annexation, consolidation, or reconstruction;

(E) Has fallen below the average daily membership requirement under § 6-13-634(a); or

(F) Is no longer operating under a court ordered exemption to § 6-13-634(b)."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 24 and 25, and substitute the following:

"(3) Initially, terms for members elected in 2025 shall expire:

(A) For school boards adopting four-year terms in 2028; or

(B) For school boards adopting six-year terms in 2030."

AND

Delete SECTION 2 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-13-611(e), concerning vacancies generally of a school district board of directors, is amended to read as follows:

(e)~~(1)~~ An appointed director, except a director appointed to fill a vacancy under § 6-13-613, shall serve only until his or her elected successor subscribes to the director's oath of office under § 6-13-617 ~~to the next annual school election, at which time the electors shall select in the usual manner directors to serve the unexpired terms of the vacating directors.~~

~~(2) If there is not an individual who has filed as a candidate to serve an unexpired term of a vacating director, the position shall be:~~

~~(A) Deemed vacant; and~~

~~(B) Filled in accordance with this section~~."

AND

Immediately following SECTION 4, insert the following:

"SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 6-14-102(a)(1)(B), concerning the annual school election date, is repealed.

~~(B)(i) A school district shall adopt a policy setting forth which election date under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section the school district chooses to hold the annual school election upon.~~

~~(ii) At least one hundred (100) days before the first day~~

~~of the respective candidate filing period set forth in § 6-14-111(e)(1)(A), a school district shall provide a copy of the policy under subdivision (a)(1)(B)(i) of this section to:~~

~~(a) The county board of election commissioners of the county in which the school district is domiciled for administrative purposes; and~~

~~(b) The county clerk of each county within the school district's boundaries.~~

~~(iii) If a school district fails to timely provide a copy of its most current policy to the county board of election commissioners and county clerks in accordance with subdivision (a)(1)(B)(ii) of this section, the school district shall be required to hold the school district's annual school election in accordance with the most recent policy the school district has provided to the county board of election commissioners and county clerks.~~"

AND

Page 4, delete line 27, and substitute the following:

"~~(b) Second~~ first Tuesday ~~in May~~ after the first Monday in March."

AND

Page 6, line 13, delete "3:00 pm" and substitute "12:00 noon"

AND

Page 6, line 15, delete "3:00 pm" and substitute "12:00 noon"

AND

Immediately following SECTION 6 of the bill, insert the following:

"SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 6-14-121(a)(1), concerning runoff elections, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1)(A) Whenever there are more than two (2) candidates for election to any position on a board of directors at any election held in this state and whenever no candidate for any school district position receives a majority of the votes cast for the office or whenever there is a tie vote, there shall be a runoff election held in the school district.

(B) In the event of a runoff election, the current member of the position for which there is a runoff election shall serve as a holdover until the person elected in the runoff election receives certification of the administration of the oath under § 6-13-617."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1724 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1745 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1745

Amend House Bill 1745 as engrossed H3/19/25:

Page 1, line 12, delete "STATE;" and substitute "STATE; TO REQUIRE AN OPERATOR OF A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE TO HAVE PROFICIENCY IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE;"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO REQUIRE CERTAIN COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE HOLDERS TO POSSESS A UNITED STATES WORK AUTHORIZATION; TO REQUIRE THE OPERATOR OF A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE TO HAVE ENGLISH PROFICIENCY; AND TO CREATE RELATED OFFENSES."

AND

Page 2, line 23, delete "Employment" and substitute "proper documentation."

AND

Page 2, delete line 24

AND

Page 2, line 26, delete "an Employment Authorization Document" and substitute "proper documentation"

AND

Page 2, line 29, delete "Document" and substitute ”Document or a valid work visa”

AND

Page 2, line 32, delete "an Employment Authorization" and substitute ”proper documentation"

AND

Page 2, line 33, delete "Document"

AND

Page 2, line 34, delete "an Employment" and substitute "proper documentation"

AND

Page 2, line 35, delete "Authorization Document"

AND

Page 3, delete line 1, and substitute the following:
"he or she had been issued a valid Employment Authorization Document or a valid work visa.

27-23-304. Operating a commercial motor vehicle without sufficient English Language proficiency.

(a) An operator of a commercial motor vehicle shall be able to read and

speak the English language sufficiently to:

(1) Converse with the general public;

(2) Understand highway traffic signs and signals in the English language;

(3) Respond to official inquiries; and

(4) Make entries on reports and records.

(b) A person commits the offense of operating a commercial motor vehicle without sufficient English language proficiency if he or she:

(1) Operates a commercial vehicle; and

(2) Fails to demonstrate proficiency in the English language as required under subsection (a) of this section.

(c) The offense of operating a commercial motor vehicle without sufficient English language proficiency is a violation and is subject to a fine of up to:

(1) Five hundred dollars ($500) for the first offense; and

(2) One thousand dollars ($1,000) for the second or subsequent offense."

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete "employment authorization document," and substitute "work visa or valid Employment Authorization Document,"

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1745 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 140 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Boyd, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 140 was referred to the Interim Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 386 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 386 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 418 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 418 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 506 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 506 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 1:51 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 91, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO
SENATE BILL NO. 232, BY SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, JR.
SENATE BILL NO. 271, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATE BILL NO. 275, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN
SENATE BILL NO. 280, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN
SENATE BILL NO. 319, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD
SENATE BILL NO. 327, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATE BILL NO. 329, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD
SENATE BILL NO. 344, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN
SENATE BILL NO. 368, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN
SENATE BILL NO. 378, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATE BILL NO. 380, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATE BILL NO. 388, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATE BILL NO. 401, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD
SENATE BILL NO. 403, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER
SENATE BILL NO. 414, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER
SENATE BILL NO. 432, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:49 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 91
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SENATE BILL NO. 432

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this first day of April, 2025 at 9:49 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 82, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
SENATE BILL NO. 120, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 332, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 82 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 120 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 332 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

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REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 434, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 439, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 447, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 434 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 447 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 530, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 560, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 568, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 530 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 560 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 568 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1656, BY REPRESENTATIVE BECK,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1803, BY REPRESENTATIVE CARR, ET AL,
BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, ET AL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1656 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1803 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 426, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 427, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 431, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 442, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 537, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 539, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1303, BY REPRESENTATIVE JEAN, ET AL,
BY SENATOR MATT STONE, ET AL,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1724, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKENZIE,
BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH
HOUSE BILL NO. 1745, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK, ET AL,
BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER, ET AL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 550, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 290, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 533, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1741, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1742, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1743, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1744, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1772, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1525, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL,

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report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 523, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 553, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 564, BY SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO,
SENATE BILL NO. 571, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 574, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 525, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1455, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1645, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1785, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1789, BY REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1802, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,

,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 481, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 519, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 544, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 552, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 593, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 594, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1300, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1301, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1321, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1794, BY REPRESENTATIVE DUKE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1467, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR REGINALD MURDOCK, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1079, BY REPRESENTATIVE ALLEN
HOUSE BILL NO. 1468, BY REPRESENTATIVE COZART,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1700, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR REGINALD MURDOCK, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1814, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 148, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 153, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 160, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 157, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 489, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 521, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 536, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO. 551, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 570, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 584, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 586, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 293, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1690, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1707, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 597
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF THREAT OF HARM UPON A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION EMPLOYEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 597 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 598
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE COZART

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES; TO ALTER THE TEST USED FOR DETERMINING THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF INDIVIDUALS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYEE" UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; TO STREAMLINE THE OPERATIONS OF THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES; TO REFLECT THE REMOVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FROM ADMINISTRATION OF THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM; TO ALTER THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 598 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 354 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 354
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 354 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King spoke against the bill.
Senator Hester spoke for the bill.
Senator Payton spoke against the bill.
Senator Boyd spoke for the bill.
Senator Dismang closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, Hammer.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 392 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 392
As Engrossed: S3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MADDOX, *WOOTEN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 392 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell spoke against the bill.
Senator King spoke against the bill.
Senator Stubblefield spoke for the bill.
Senator Davis closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., McKee, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Johnson, M., King, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Rice.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 392, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., McKee, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Johnson, M., King, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Rice.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Davis moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the Emergency Clause on Senate Bill No. 392 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which the Emergency Clause on Senate Bill No. 392 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 1, 2025.

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 392, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Murdock, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 392 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 484 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 484 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 484

Amend Senate Bill 484 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 10 and 11, and substitute the following:
"DIRECTORS; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS WHEREBY A VACANCY IS FILLED ON A SCHOOL DISTRICT"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS WHEREBY
A VACANCY IS FILLED ON A SCHOOL
DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-13-611(c), concerning the appointment of an individual to fill a vacancy on a school district board of directors, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) If a vacancy occurs on the school district board of directors, the vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of an individual who is a qualified elector of the school district and who resides in the same zone, if applicable, as required by the vacant position by ~~either~~:

~~(1)~~(A) A majority vote of the remaining directors within ninety (90) days~~:~~

~~(A) Thirty (30) days for vacancies resulting under subdivisions (a)(1)-(7) of this section; or~~

~~(B) Sixty (60) days for vacancies resulting under subdivision (a)(8) of this section~~; or

~~(2)~~(B) The county quorum court of the county in which a majority of the residents are represented by the school district board of directors' vacated position if:

~~(A)~~(i) As a result of several vacancies on the school district board of directors, only a minority of board members remains; or

~~(B)~~(ii) The school district board of directors fails to fill the vacancy within the time permitted under subdivision (c)(1)(A) ~~or subdivision (c)(1)(B)~~ of this section.

(2)(A) At least thirty (30) days before an appointment is made by a school district board of directors or a county quorum court, the school district shall publish a notice of the vacancy on the school district board of directors, the date of the meeting when the appointment shall be made to fill the vacancy, and the requirements for being considered to fill the vacancy, including without limitation the process for consideration to fill the vacancy required under subdivision (c)(3) of this section:

(i) In a local newspaper covering the school district zone or area;

(ii)(a) On the homepage of the school district's official

website.

(b) The school district shall include blank copies of any required forms with the notice required under subdivision (c)(2)(A)(ii)(a) of this section; and

(iii) Utilizing existing communication systems, including without limitation text messages, phone messages, and email, that the school district ordinarily employs to contact parents and legal guardians of students enrolled in the school district.

(B) A school district shall promptly give notice of the existence of a vacancy and shall submit evidence of the publication of a vacancy required under subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section to the county clerk of the county in which the school district is administratively domiciled.

(3) A qualified elector who resides in the school district or school district zone affected by a school district board of directors' vacancy who wishes to be considered to fill the vacancy shall submit a petition to the school district or county quorum court no later than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting specified in the notice of the vacancy published under subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section that:

(A) Is signed by at least twenty (20) qualified electors from the vacant school district or school district zone position; and

(B) States his or her intention to be considered for the appointment to fill the vacancy.

(4)(A) The school district board of directors or quorum court shall:

(i) Acknowledge in writing the receipt of a petition under subdivision (c)(3) of this section; and

(ii) Promptly inform a candidate if his or her petition has been found to be insufficient or invalid:

(a) That his or her petition has been found to be insufficient or invalid; and

(b) What the candidate is required to do to cure the petition before the deadline.

(B) A school district board of directors or county quorum court may fill a vacancy only with a candidate who has submitted a timely, valid, and sufficient petition under this section.

(5)(A) An elector who submits a sufficient and valid petition under this section shall be given at least five (5) minutes to present his or her candidacy in a public meeting of the remaining members of the school district board of directors or the county quorum court before either the school district board of directors or county

quorum court votes to fill the vacancy.

(B) A school district board of directors or a county quorum court may request reasonable information from a candidate to fill a vacancy under this section, including without limitation a request for written answers to questions before a public meeting is held.

(C)(i) A school district board of directors may vote to decline to fill the vacancy.

(ii) If a school district board of directors votes to decline to fill a vacancy under subdivision (c)(5)(C)(i) of this section, the appointment shall pass immediately to the quorum court of the county in which a majority of the residents of the vacant position reside.

(6) All matters regarding the filling of a vacancy on a school district board of directors shall be discussed and acted upon by a school district board of directors or a county quorum court in an open public meeting and not in an executive session.

(7) If, after substantially complying with subdivisions (c)(1)–(6) of this section, a school district board of directors or a quorum court has not received a valid and sufficient petition under this section, the school district board of directors or county quorum court may use an alternative process to fill the vacancy."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 484 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Flippo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 565 at this time.

On motion of Senator Flippo, Senate Bill No. 565 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 565

Amend Senate Bill 565 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Maddox as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 9 and 10, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO AMEND PROCUREMENT LAW; TO ALLOW FOR A"

AND

Page 1, line 18, delete "FEES;" and substitute "FEES; TO CHANGE THE DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN REPORTS RELATED TO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING;"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO ALLOW PROCUREMENT CERTIFICATIONS TO BE COMBINED; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REPRESENTATION IN STATE CONTRACTS REGARDING CONTINGENT FEES; AND TO AMEND THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING REPORTING DEADLINE."

AND

Immediately following the enacting clause, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 19-11-249(b)(2), concerning reporting requirement for purchases made under a cooperative purchasing agreement under the Arkansas Procurement Law, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The reports required under this subsection shall be submitted by ~~July~~ October 1 in the format required by the Legislative Council and shall include the following:

(A) The name of the contractor;

(B) The name of the procuring agency;

(C) The contact information for the contractor and procuring agency;

(D) The total cost of the contract, including all available extensions;

(E) A description of the public school construction services, goods, or other services procured; and

(F) Any other information requested by the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee."

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "Arkansas law" and substitute "all Arkansas laws"

AND

Page 2, line 36, delete "required by law" and substitute "otherwise required by Arkansas law"

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 565 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Blake Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1424 at this time.

On motion of Senator Blake Johnson, House Bill No. 1424 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1424

Amend House Bill 1424 as engrossed H2/27/25:

Page 3, delete lines 33 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(1)(A) Bariatric surgery as recognized by the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery.

(B) Bariatric surgery under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section shall be limited to the following:

(i) Biliopancreatic bypass with duodenal switch;

(ii) Laparoscopic adjustable gastric banding;

(iii) Roux-en-Y procedure; and

(iv) Sleeve gastrectomy;

(2) Revision bariatric surgery when required to manage a complication resulting from a prior bariatric surgery type as provided in subdivision (b)(1) of this section that utilizes a different procedure from those procedures listed in subdivision (b)(1) of this section;

(3) Preoperative care, including without limitation:"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 4 through 6, and substitute the following:

"(D) Exercise or physical therapy and counseling; and

(4) Post-operative care, including without limitation:"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 10 and 11, and substitute the following:

"(D) Exercise or physical therapy and counseling; and"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 13 through 18, and substitute the following:

"(c) For a covered person to qualify for coverage under this section:

(1) A healthcare provider shall issue a written order that includes a statement that:

(A) Identifies the body mass index and any associated comorbid conditions;

(B) Describes the treatment plan for diseases and conditions caused by severe obesity; and

(C) Attests that the treatment is medically necessary for the covered person according to the qualifications and treatment standards established by the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery or the American College of Surgeons;

(2) The covered person shall attest that he or she has:

(A) Participated in a weight loss program;

(B) Received preoperative medical and mental health evaluations and clearances;

(C) Received preoperative education that addresses the risks, benefits, realistic expectations, and the need for long-term follow-up and adherence to behavioral modifications; and

(D) Received a copy of the treatment plan that describes the preoperative needs and postoperative needs of an individual undergoing bariatric surgery;

(3) In lieu of the list of requirements in subdivision (c)(2) of this section, a covered person may attest to the completion of a multidisciplinary surgical preparation program that is also signed by the healthcare provider; and

(4) Cannot have undergone a bariatric surgery previously, unless the proposed bariatric surgery is to correct a complication that resulted from the previous bariatric surgery."

AND

Page 5, line 8, delete "The Insurance" and substitute "(a) The Insurance"

AND

Page 5, delete line 13, and substitute the following:

"associated comorbidities and for coverage requirements.

(b) If the commissioner promulgates rules under subsection (a) of this

section, the rules shall include without"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1424 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 117 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 117

As Engrossed: S2/18/25 S2/25/25 S3/11/25 S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN PRACTICE ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE OF NATUROPATHIC *PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NATURAL MEDICINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 117 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Davis, Gilmore, Hickey, Irvin.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dismang, English, Murdock, Rice, Scott.

Total 6

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 117 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 284 was referred to the Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 285 was referred to the Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 286 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 286 was referred to the Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 287 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 287 was referred to the Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Bill No. 288 was referred to the Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 355 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 355

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF OBSTRUCTING GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 355 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 355. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 355 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 397 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 397

As Engrossed: S3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION OF RAIL EMPLOYEES IN REPORTS INVOLVING RAILROAD FATALITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 397 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 397. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.397 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 406
As Engrossed: S3/17/25 S3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING INSTRUMENTS AFFECTING TITLE TO PROPERTY; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY RECORDER TO VERIFY CERTAIN INFORMATION BEFORE RECORDING A DEED TO REAL ESTATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Clark requested Senate Bill No. 406 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 412 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 412
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCLURE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR MOVING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES; TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO SET THE PER-MILE AMOUNT FOR THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES BY PROCLAMATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 412 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 412. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 412 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 425 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 425
As Engrossed: S3/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 425 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Flowers.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flippo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 425, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Flowers.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flippo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 31
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 425 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 440 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 440
As Engrossed: S3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS; TO REGULATE THE USE OF ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS; TO REGULATE ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 440 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 440. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 440 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 448 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 448

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE JOBS, RETAIN WEALTH, AND GROW ARKANSAS'S ECONOMY BY ENABLING PROPERTY ASSESSED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FINANCING; TO AMEND THE PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ACT; TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, ALTERNATIVE ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS, BUILDING RESILIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, AND WATER CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 448 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Payton.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dismang, Flippo, Flowers, King, Murdock, Stubblefield.

Total 7

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo, Rice.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 448 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 450 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 450
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH, IRVIN, HESTER, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, FLIPPO, B. JOHNSON, HILL, M. MCKEE, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, VAUGHT, BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE A HUMAN FETAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION IN THE RELEVANT STANDARDS DURING THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC STANDARDS REVISION CYCLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 450 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 450. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Wallace.
Total 26

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.
Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:
Total 0

EXCUSED:
Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Rice, Sullivan.
Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 450 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 464 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 464
As Engrossed: S3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVES C. COOPER, VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING SALES OF RAW MILK; TO ALLOW SALES OF RAW MILK AND RAW MILK PRODUCTS AT LOCATIONS OTHER THAN THE FARM WHERE THE RAW MILK OR RAW MILK PRODUCT IS *PRODUCED; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 464 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 464.
Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Gilmore.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 464 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Gilmore.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 464 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 467 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 467

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" REGARDING STUDENT ATHLETE CONCUSSION EDUCATION TO INCLUDE CHIROPRACTORS OR CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 467 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 467. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 467 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 469 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 469

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COUNTY CAMPAIGN POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEES; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 469 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Dotson, Johnson, M., Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 6

NEGATIVE: Clark, Crowell, Davis, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Love, Scott, Stone, Tucker.

Total 13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 15

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Petty.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 20

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 469 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 1, 2025.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 470 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 470
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF A STATEWIDE STUDENT ASSESSMENT TO A STUDENT IN A VIRTUAL SETTING; TO REQUIRE AN ADULT APPROVED TO OVERSEE THE ADMINISTRATION OF A STATEWIDE STUDENT ASSESSMENT TO CERTAIN STUDENTS IN A VIRTUAL SETTING TO MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 470 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 470. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.470 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 483 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 483

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT AND THE STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT; TO REVISE CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 483 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 483. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 483 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House..

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 487 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 487
As Engrossed: S3/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW ON THE DESTRUCTION OR EXPUNGEMENT OF JUVENILE DELINQUENCY RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 487 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 487.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dotson, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 487 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 490 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 490

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A COURT TO WAIVE CERTAIN FEES WHEN A JUVENILE IS ORDERED TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 490 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd, Bryant, Flowers, McKee.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 490 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 498 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 498
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE N. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF DRIVER AND VEHICLE RECORDS; TO PROTECT DRIVER AND VEHICLE RECORDS FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 498 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 498.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, C. Penzo, Tucker.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 498 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 503 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 503

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING ACT OF 1965; TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AN EMPLOYER MUST HAVE TO BE MANDATED TO FILE AN ANNUAL WITHHOLDING STATEMENT ELECTRONICALLY; TO REQUIRE THE ELECTRONIC FILING OF A WITHHOLDING RETURN FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 503 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 503. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, McKee, Payton.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 503 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 505 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 505

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL PLANNING; TO REQUIRE AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE FOR CHANGES TO THE ZONING OR DISTRICT DESIGNATION OF PROPERTY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 505 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: King, Leding, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Flippo, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love, Murdock, Rice, Scott.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 505 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 508 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 508
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF PAYMENT OF A STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE FREQUENCY OF PAYMENT OF A STIPEND FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ADVISORY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 508 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 508.
Motion carried

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.508 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 515 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 515

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, J. BOYD, F. LOVE, *J. BRYANT*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES NAZARENKO, GRAMLICH, HALL, PURYEAR, *CRAWFORD*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HISTORY UNIT REQUIREMENT IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; TO REQUIRE THAT A UNIT DEDICATED TO ARKANSAS VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES BE INCLUDED WITHIN EXISTING ARKANSAS HISTORY COURSE CONTENT GUIDELINES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 515 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 515. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.515 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 522 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 522
As Engrossed: S3/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, *A. CLARK*
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, WARREN, *BARNETT*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS, SCIENCES, AND THE ARTS; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO THE TUITION AND FEES PAID BY STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE ONLINE PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 522 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 522. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 522 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 545 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 545
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO THE PROPERTY AND FINANCES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO BONDS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING RENTS, TOLLS, FEES, AND OTHER CHARGES RELATED TO ATHLETIC CONTESTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 545 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Dotson, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, Dees, Johnson, B., Payton.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.545 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 547 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 547
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING A HOMESCHOOLED STUDENT'S PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES AT PRIVATE SCHOOLS; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT A HOMESCHOOLED STUDENT LIVE WITHIN A CERTAIN RADIUS OF A PRIVATE SCHOOL FOR PURPOSES OF PARTICIPATING IN AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 547 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 547. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 547 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 469 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1681 at this time.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1681 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1681

Amend House Bill No.1681 as engrossed H3/18/25:

Page 1, delete lines 23 and 24, and substitute the following:
"FUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO ESTABLISH THE WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Delete SECTION 1 and SECTION 2 of the bill in their entirety

AND

Page 2, line 20, delete "Chapter 6, Subchapter 8," and substitute "Chapter 5, Subchapter 12,"

AND

Page 2, line 22, delete "19-6-845" and substitute "19-5-1288"

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "special revenue" and substitute "miscellaneous"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 27 through 29, and substitute the following:
"(b) The fund shall consist of any revenues authorized by law."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 2 and 3, and substitute the following:

"(f) The program shall expire five (5) years from the effective date of this act.

(g) The commission shall report annually to the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee, regarding the status of all grants awarded under the program."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1681 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1549 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1549

As Engrossed: H2/25/25 H3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS CYBERSECURITY ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1549 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1549. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1549 was returned to the House as passed.

* * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1555 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH UNIFORM PROCEDURES FOR FILLING A VACANCY IN A MUNICIPAL OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1555 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1555. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1555 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 9, 2025.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1557 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1557
As Engrossed: H3/11/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS CONCERNING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY; TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS CODE RELATED TO THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1557 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Flippo, King, Love, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Flowers, Irvin, Rice.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1557 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1561 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1561

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, *ACHOR, ANDREWS, BARKER, BEATY, JR., BECK, BENTLEY, S. BERRY, BREAUX, BROOKS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, JOHN CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, EATON, EVANS, FURMAN, GAZAWAY, GRAMLICH, HALL, HAWK, HOLLOWELL, L. JOHNSON, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, LYNCH, MADDOX, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, M. MCELROY, MCGREW, B. MCKENZIE, MCNAIR, MILLIGAN, J. MOORE, NAZARENKO, PEARCE, PERRY, PILKINGTON, PURYEAR, RAY, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SCHULZ, M. SHEPHERD, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, VAUGHT, WALKER, WING, WOOTEN*

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ESTABLISH THE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1561 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1561. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Scott.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1561 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1598 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1598

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE SCHOOL RATING SYSTEM; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A NEW ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS; TO REMOVE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SCHOOL RATINGS FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL YEARS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1598 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1598. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1598 was returned to the House as passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1640

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

On motion of Senator Sullivan, House Bill No. 1640 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DUKE
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING ETHICAL GUIDELINES AND PROHIBITIONS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "ADMINISTRATOR" AS IT RELATES TO ETHICAL GUIDELINES AND PROHIBITIONS; TO AMEND THE RESTRICTIONS ON EMPLOYMENT SPECIFIC TO PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1640 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1640. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1640 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1654 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1654
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOSH, MCGRUDER
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE ACT OF 2005; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION OF THE MID SOUTH; TO ADDRESS THE INVENTORY OF THE MID-SOUTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATION SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1654 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1654. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1654 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1691 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1691

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY TO BE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION; TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR PUBLIC CHARITY ARE EXEMPT FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1691 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1691. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Payton.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1691 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1697 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1697
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PROVISIONAL POSITIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 19 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING MOTOR VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1697 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1697. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Leding.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Irvin.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1697, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Leding.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Irvin.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1697 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1725 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1725

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1725 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice spoke against the bill.

Senator Payton spoke against the bill.

Senator Davis closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 17

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 14

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Irvin, King.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Johnson, B..

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Rice moved that the vote by which House Bill No. 1725 passed be reconsidered and that motion be laid upon the table, which motion prevailed and the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 572 at this time.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 572 was withdrawn.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 572 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 572

Amend Senate Bill No. 572 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 29, delete "custodians" and substitute "custodians for public schools"

AND

Page 2, line 20, delete "used for" and substitute "maintained and used by public schools for"

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "materials" and substitute "materials, as defined in § 25-19-103,"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 31 through 33, and substitute the following:
"(2) A custodian of learning materials shall not enter into an agreement or"

AND

Page 2, delete line 35, and substitute the following:
"on intellectual property rights, or any similar legal theory.

(3)(A) A person who receives access to copyrighted learning materials under this section shall not publish, distribute, or utilize the copyrighted learning materials for any purpose other than public inspection.

(B) Any copies of copyrighted learning materials under this section shall not exceed any amounts permissible under fair use provisions of the copyright laws of the United States under 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025."

AND

Page 2, line 36, delete "(3)(A)" and substitute "(4)(A)"

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "shall" and substitute "for public inspection shall"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "(i)(3)(A)" and substitute "(i)(4)(A)"

AND

Page 3, line 9, delete "(4)(A) Access" and substitute "(5)(A) Subject to subdivision (i)(2) of this section, access"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 572 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 484, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM,
SENATE BILL NO. 565, BY SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 484 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Flippo, Senate Bill No. 565 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1424, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY: SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1681, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT, ET AL,
BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT, ET AL

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1424 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1681 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1618, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 486, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, VICE CHAIRMAN
SENATOR ALAN CLARK
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR KIM HAMMER
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

SENATE BILL NO. 599
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, MCCOLLOUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ELIMINATE INTERLOCUTORY DECREES OF ADOPTION; TO AMEND THE REVISED UNIFORM ADOPTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 599 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 600
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE CONTRACTS; TO MANDATE CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS FOR CERTAIN CONTRACTS; TO CLARIFY PROPER JURISDICTION FOR CERTAIN CONTACTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 600 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 601
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A PATHWAY FOR A GRADUATE OF A FOREIGN MEDICAL SCHOOL TO BE LICENSED IN THIS STATE IF HE OR SHE IS OFFERED FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT AS A PHYSICIAN FROM A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 601 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 602
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT INSURANCE COMPANIES AND APPRAISERS FROM REQUIRING AN INSURED TO USE CERTAIN FACILITIES TO REPAIR OR REPLACE DAMAGED MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY GLASS; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 602 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 603
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN AIR AMBULANCE TO CONTACT THE ARKANSAS TRAUMA SYSTEM FOR DIRECTION ON THE BEST DESTINATION TO TRANSPORT A PERSON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 603 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 604
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE REGARDING THE COURSE CHOICE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 604 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 605
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DELTA TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL EXCISE TAX ACT; TO TAX DELTA TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL PRODUCTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 605 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Senate Bill No. 83 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 99 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 103 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 218 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 278 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 366 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 370 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 379 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 381 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 382 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 383 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 384 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 385 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 387 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 389 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 454 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 572, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 572 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 606
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE USED TIRE RECYCLING AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT; TO CREATE THE TIRE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING ACT; TO REPEAL THE USED TIRE RECYCLING FUND; TO CREATE THE WASTE TIRE ABATEMENT FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 606 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 607

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS CROWELL, J. BRYANT, A. CLARK, DEES, FLIPPO, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, B. KING, F. LOVE, R. MURDOCK, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WALKER, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT IMPLEMENTS A FOUR-DAY SCHOOL WEEK FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL WITHIN ITS DISTRICT; TO ESTABLISH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT INITIATES AND MAINTAINS A FOUR-DAY SCHOOL WEEK; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 607 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 120, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 534, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 554, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 118, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1004

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR POSTPARTUM MOTHERS FOR ONE YEAR AFTER GIVING BIRTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1004 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1062

As Engrossed: H1/15/25 H2/3/25 H2/18/25 H2/26/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: BY REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE TEACHER AND STUDENT PROTECTION ACT OF 2025; TO PROHIBIT A STUDENT WHO IS REMOVED FROM A CLASSROOM DUE TO VIOLENT OR ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR AGAINST A TEACHER OR ANOTHER STUDENT FROM BEING PLACED IN A CLASS WITH THE TEACHER OR STUDENT AGAINST WHOM THE VIOLENT OR ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR WAS DIRECTED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1062 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1094
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - TOBACCO PREVENTION AND CESSATION PROGRAMS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1094 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1125
As Engrossed: H3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - REGULATORY DIVISION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1125 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1187
As Engrossed: H3/3/25 H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1187 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1232
As Engrossed: H3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1232 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1470
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING THE REVIEW OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1470 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1476
As Engrossed: H3/10/25 H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DIRECT SHIPMENT OF VINOUS LIQUOR ACT; TO ESTABLISH A WINE DIRECT SHIPPER LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1476 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1495

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF A STUDENT'S PERMANENT SCHOOL RECORD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1495 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1531

As Engrossed: H3/18/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURERS FROM RESTRICTING OR LIMITING PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS TO A LIMITED DISTRIBUTION NETWORK OF OUT-OF-STATE PHARMACIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1531 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1594
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GROSS RECEIPTS TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES; TO CREATE A FARMER SALES TAX IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO RELIEVE A SELLER OF SALES TAX REMITTANCE LIABILITY UPON GOOD FAITH ACCEPTANCE OF A FARMER SALES TAX IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1594 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1646
As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE FIVE LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN MATERIALS TO BE STORED IN LOCKED *COMPARTMENTS* WITHIN A DESIGNATED AREA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1646 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1677

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, MCGREW, *HAWK*

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS TO MAINTAIN EMERGENCY MEDICATION KITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1677 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1696

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ESTABLISH THE STRENGTHENING ARKANSAS EDUCATION ACT; TO PROVIDE A CORE CURRICULUM AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1696 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1706
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS; TO PROHIBIT RANKED CHOICE VOTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1706 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1733
As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR, TOSH
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS BETTER CHANCE PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1733 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1735
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; TO REVISE MEMBERSHIP IN THE ONE CALL CENTER UNDER THE ARKANSAS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1735 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1740
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, ET AL
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING AGRICULTURE; TO EXEMPT CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1740 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1751
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; TO REQUIRE AN APPLICANT FOR TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM BENEFITS TO ENGAGE IN JOB SEARCH ACTIVITIES WHILE THE APPLICATION IS BEING PROCESSED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1751 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1784
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS FOR LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1784 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1797
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO CLARIFY THE ROLE OF THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO EXEMPT THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY FROM CERTAIN STATE REGULATIONS; TO AMEND A PORTION OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 2000; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1797 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1810
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF; TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF TO THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1810 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1821
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, ET AL
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, J. PETTY, RICE, STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A MORE SUSTAINABLE SYSTEM OF PROPERTY INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY; TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL INSURANCE ACT; TO REVISE THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MULTI-AGENCY INSURANCE TRUST FUND ACT; TO COMBINE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITH STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY UNDER A SINGLE PROGRAM TO ENSURE PROPER VALUATION FOR PROPERTY INSURANCE PURPOSES; TO CREATE THE STATE CAPTIVE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACT; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC ADJUSTING IN PROPERTY INSURANCE CLAIMS; TO ALLOW FOR THE CREATION OF A CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1821 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1834

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HOLCOMB, CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1834 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1842

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE OFFICE OF CRIMINAL DETENTION FACILITIES REVIEW COORDINATOR; TO PLACE THE OFFICE WITHIN THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1842 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1843
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING RECORDS AND PHOTOGRAPHS KEPT BY THE STATE CRIME LABORATORY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1843 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1859
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, ET AL
BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MASTECTOMIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1859 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1873
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION TO PERSONS ELECTED TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE YEARS OF SERVICE REMAINING BEFORE REACHING THE LIMITATION ON SERVICE UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1873 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1886
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PEARCE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER AS THE OFFICIAL CANINE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1886 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1009
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO ADVANCE THE STUDY OF NUCLEAR FUEL RECYCLING AND COMPLY WITH ARKANSAS ACTS 2023, NO. 259; TO REQUEST FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE NEXT STUDY PHASE; AND TO PETITION THE ARKANSAS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO RECTIFY MANY ENERGY ISSUES FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND THE UNITED STATES.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1009 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
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SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

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AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1886

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1697
HOUSE BILL NO. 1797
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HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1549
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1561
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1654
HOUSE BILL NO. 1691

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1009

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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EIGHTIETH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 2, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Scott requested leave for Senator Flowers. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Dr. Maurice Watson.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 341 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 341

Amend Senate Bill No. 341 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 29, delete "$140,000" and insert "$200,000".

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 341 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1333 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1333

Amend House Bill No.1333 as engrossed H3/20/25:

Page 1, line 31, delete "A registered" and substitute "A certified"

AND

Page 1, line 34, delete "healthcare provided" and substitute "healthcare provider"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1333 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1714 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1714

Amend House Bill No.1714 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 21, delete "exchange for" and substitute "exchange for or as a reward for"

AND

Page 1, line 26, delete "~~petition.~~;" and substitute "~~petition.~~;"

AND

Page 1, line 27, delete "(B)(i) Receives an item of value" and substitute "(B) Receives anything of value"

AND

Page 1, line 28, delete "solicited." and substitute "solicited;"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 29 through 36

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 9

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "exchange for" and substitute "exchange for or as a reward for"

AND

Page 2, line 20, delete "(2)(A) Receives an item of value" and substitute "(2) Receives anything of value"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 22 through 36

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 and 2

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1714 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1717 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1717

Amend House Bill No. 1717 as engrossed S3/31/25:

Page 1, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

"(3) "Consent" means any reasonable effort, taking into consideration available technology and including without limitation a request for authorization for future collection, use, and disclosure described in the notice, to ensure that in the case of a teen, the parent of a teen or the teen:

(A) Receives notice of the personal information collection, use, and disclosure practices of the operator; and

(B) Before the personal information of the teen is collected, freely and unambiguously authorizes, including without limitation the giving of consent through an operator's terms of service or acknowledgement of the operator's privacy policy:

(i) The collection, use, and disclosure, as applicable, of the teen's personal information; and

(ii) Any subsequent use of the teen's personal information.

(4)(A) "Disclosure" means making personal information that is collected from a child or teen by a website, online service, online application, or mobile application targeted toward children or teens or that is collected with actual knowledge the personal information from a child or teen publicly available in an identifiable form to a third party not affiliated with the operator.

(B) "Disclosure" does not include personal information provided to a person other than an operator who provides support for the internal operations of the website, online service, online application, or mobile application of the operator, including a processor;"

AND

Page 2, line 10, delete "(4)" and substitute "(5)"

AND

Page 2, line 16, delete "(5)" and substitute "(6)"

AND

Page 2, line 25, delete "(6)" and substitute "(7)"

AND

Page 2, line 28, delete "(7)" and substitute "(8)"

AND

Page 2, line 31, delete "(8)(A)(i)" and substitute "(9)(A)(i)"

AND

Page 3, line 17, delete "(9)" and substitute "(10)"

AND

Page 3, line 20, delete "(10)" and substitute "(11)"

AND

Page 3, line 22, delete "(11)(A)" and substitute "(12)(A)"

AND

Page 4, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"does not make any other use of the audio file before deletion;

(13) "Processor" means a person that processes personal information on behalf of an operator;"

Page 4, line 31, delete "(12)(A)" and substitute "(14)(A)"

AND

Page 5, line 25, delete "(13)(A)" and substitute "(15)(A)"

AND

Page 6, line 4, delete "(14)" and substitute "(15)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 8 through 19, and substitute the following:

"(17) "Third party" means a person, public authority, agency, or body other than the consumer, operator, processor, or an affiliate of the processor or the operator."

AND

Page 6, line 25, delete "directed to children" and substitute "directed at children or teens"

AND

Page 6, delete line 30, and substitute the following:

"(B) Except as provided in subdivisions (a)(1)(C) and (D) of this section, to collect personal information from a child or teen"

AND

Page 6, line 33, delete "compile" and substitute "maintain"

AND

Page 7, line 29, delete "verifiable"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 30 through 34, and substitute the following:

"disclosure of personal information from a teen from a parent of a teen or a teen, except when the processing is for:

(A) Providing or maintaining the specific product or service requested by the teen;

(B) Conducting the operator's internal business operations, including without limitation identifying and repairing technical errors that impair existing or intended functionality;

(C) Protecting against malicious, fraudulent, or illegal activity or detecting, responding to, or preventing security incidents or threats;

(D) Investigating, establishing, exercising, preparing for, or defending legal claims;

(E) Complying with federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations;

(F) Complying with a civil, criminal, or regulatory inquiry,

investigation, subpoena, or a summons by federal, state, local, or other governmental authorities; or

(G) Protecting the vital interests of a natural person;"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 15

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1717 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 157 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 157

Amend Senate Bill No.157 as engrossed S3/31/25:

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:

"(5) If life insurance is offered as a survivor's benefit to the members of a state retirement system, the life insurance payment shall be a set amount paid to the member's beneficiary, less any overpayments, with the remaining balance to be used to lessen the system's unfunded liabilities."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 3

AND

Page 2, line 8, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 2, line 32, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 3, line 4, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 3, line 12, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 157 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 290 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 290

Amend Senate Bill No. 290 as engrossed S3/31/25:

Page 2, line 20, delete "Legislative Council" and substitute "Legislative Council, or if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee,"

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "Legislative Council" and substitute "Legislative Council, or if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee,"

AND

Page 2, line 25, delete "Legislative Council" and substitute "Legislative Council, or if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee,"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 290 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 525 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 525

Amend Senate Bill No. 525 as originally introduced:

Page 5, line 2, delete "accurately" and substitute "not accurately"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 525 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 533 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 533

Amend Senate Bill No. 533 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 13, delete "TO"

AND

Page 1, line 14, delete "DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS BY THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL BOARD; AND TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS LAW TO ALLOW REGULATION AND PURCHASE OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS."

AND

Page 2, delete line 23, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 5-64-215(a)(5)(A)(i)(i), concerning the substances in Schedule VI of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, is amended to read as follows:

(i) A product derived from industrial hemp that was produced as a result of a ~~synthetic~~ chemical process that converted the industrial hemp or a substance contained in the industrial hemp into delta-8, delta-9, delta-6a,10a, or delta-10 tetrahydrocannabinol including their respective acetate esters and other intoxicating hemp products as defined in § 20-56-501 et seq.; and

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 5-64-215(a)(5)(A)(i), concerning the"

AND

Page 6, line 10, delete "smokables, vaporization devices,"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 31, and substitute the following:

"extracts, cannabinoids, isomers, esters, ethers, acids, salts, and salts of isomers, esters, and ethers whenever the existence of such isomers, esters, ethers, and salts is possible within the specific chemical designation including without limitation:

(i) Delta-10 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol and its optical isomers;

(ii) Delta-9 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol and its optical isomers;

(iii) Delta-8 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol and its optical isomers;

(iv) Delta-7 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol and its optical isomers;

(v) Delta-6a, 10a cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol and its optical isomers;

(vi) Exo-tetrahydrocannabinol;

(vii) Metabolites of tetrahydrocannabinol, including 11-hydroxy-tetrahydrocannabinol, 3-27 hydroxy-tetrahydrocannabinol, and 7- 12 hydroxy-tetrahydrocannabinol;

(viii) Tetrahydrocannabinolic acid;

(ix) Hydrogenated forms of tetrahydrocannabinol, including hexahydrocannabinol, hexaydrocannabiphrol, and hexahydrocannabihexol;

(x) Synthetic forms of tetrahydrocannabinol, including dronabinol;

(xi) Ester forms of tetrahydrocannabinol, including delta-8 tetrahydrocannabinol, tetrahydrocannabinol-O-acetate, delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol-O-acetate, delta-10 tetrahydrocannabinol-O-acetate, delta-6a,10a tetrahydrocannabinol-O-acetate and hexahydrocannabinol-O-6 acetate;

(xii) Ether forms of tetrahydrocannabinol and hexahydrocannabinol including delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol methyl ether and delta-8 tetrahydrocannabinol methyl ether;

(xiii) Tetrahydrocannabivarins, including delta-8 tetrahydrocannabivarin but excluding delta-9 tetrahydrocannabivarin;

(xiv) Analogues or tetrahydrocannabinols with an alkyl chain of four (4) or more carbon atoms, including tetrahydrocannabiphorols, tetrahydrocannabioctyls, tetrahydocannabihexols, or tetrahydrocannabutols;

(xv) Delta-8 isotetrahydrocannabinol, delta4(8)-isotetrahydrocannabinol and isohexahydrocannabinol;

(xvi) Any combination of the compounds, including hexahydrocannabiphorol-o-ester and delta-8 tetrahydrocannabiphorol acetate, delta-9 tetrahydorcannabiphorol acetate; and

(xvii)(a) Any other cannabinoid classified as an intoxicant by rule of the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board.

(b) The Arkansas Tobacco Control Board shall notify the Department of Health when and if additional cannabinoids are classified as an intoxicant by the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board."

AND

Page 10, delete lines 15 and 16, and substitute the following:

"(B) Nicotine or tobacco;

(C) Intoxicating hemp product; or

(D) Any amount of tetrahydrocannabinol as to create a"

AND

Delete SECTION 22 and SECTION 23 in their entirety, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 22. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE.

(a) This act shall be effective on and after the certification of the Attorney General that:

(1) A final judgement in the case of Bio Gen LLC, et al v. Sanders, et al, 4:23-cv-00718-BRW, and any subsequent appeals, dockets, or actions concerning Acts 2023, No. 629, upholds the legality of Acts 2023, No. 629;

(2) The United States Congress explicitly delegates the authority to the states to more stringently regulate or ban hemp-derived products;

(3) The United States Congress amends the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to exclude from the definition of hemp any intoxicating cannabinoids or otherwise disallows intoxicating hemp-derived products; or

(4) The United States Congress amends the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 or passes a new Agriculture Improvement Act that excludes from the definition of hemp any intoxicating cannabinoids or otherwise disallows intoxicating hemp-derived substances.

(b) The Attorney General shall notify the Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission if he or she makes a certification under subsection (a) of this section."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 533 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1079 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1079

Amend House Bill No. 1079 as engrossed H3/17/25:

Page 4, delete lines 23 and 24, and substitute the following:

"(2) This subsection does not apply to:

(A) A plan providing health benefits to state and public school employees under § 21-5-401 et seq.; or

(B) A self-funded governmental plan."

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1079 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1468 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1468

Amend House Bill No. 1468 as engrossed H3/17/25:

Page 4, delete line 25, and substitute the following:
"or improving of the dwelling.

(h) This section does not apply to actions brought by the Attorney General for civil enforcement of the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, § 4-88-101 et seq., including without limitation:

(1) Mediations initiated in connection with an action brought by the Attorney General for civil enforcement of the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, § 4-88-101 et seq.; and

(2) Consumer actions brought by the Attorney General for civil enforcement of the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, § 4-88-101 et seq."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1468 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1700 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1700

Amend House Bill No. 1700 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 13, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS OF AN ADVERSE DETERMINATION NOTICE UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute the following:
"TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS OF AN ADVERSE DETERMINATION NOTICE UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT."

AND

Page 2, delete line 6, and substitute the following:
"provider.

(iii) If a healthcare provider submits an audio recording demonstrating a violation of subdivision (c)(3)(A) of this section to the State Insurance Department:

(a) The requested prior authorization is deemed approved; and

(b) The department shall direct the utilization review entity to immediately issue the requested prior authorization to the healthcare provider."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 22 and 23, and substitute the following:

"(e)(1) Upon an adverse determination by a utilization review entity, the utilization review entity shall provide a written notice to the subscriber, which shall include without limitation:"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 11 through 13

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1700 was ordered engrossed.

House Bill No. 1725 returned to the House having failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Dismang ask for leave for himself to end when he returns. Leave granted.

Senator Hammer asked for leave for himself to start at 3:20 p.m. Leave granted.

Attendance Vote:

Present: 33 Absent: 0 Excused: 2

PRESENT: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang , Flowers.....

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 83, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 99, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 103, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 218, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 278, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 366, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO. 370, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 379, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 381, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 382, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 383, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 384, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

SENATE BILL NO. 385, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 387, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 389, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 454, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 8:21 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

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RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this second day of April, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Boyd, and without objection, the Senate was requested to return Senate Bill No. 229 for further consideration.

STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

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State Capitol Building, Room 320
Little Rock, AR 72201

April 2, 2025

The Honorable Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks:

The Senate respectfully requests the return to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 229.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 341, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 341 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1333, BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON, ET AL,
BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1714, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,
BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1717, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH, ET AL,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1333 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1714 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1717 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 157, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 290, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 525, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 533, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1079, BY REPRESENTATIVE ALLEN,
BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1468, BY REPRESENTATIVE COZART, ET AL.,
BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1700, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 484, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 504, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 572, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 559, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1545, BY REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1696, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1733, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1062, BY REPRESENTATIVE R.S. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1571, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 93, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 128, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 130, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 332, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 555, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 590, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 485, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 488, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 575, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 583, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 320, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 608
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RUNOFF ELECTIONS FOR COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 608 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1523 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1523 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1523

Amend House Bill No. 1523 as engrossed H2/20/25:

Page 1, delete lines 11 and 12, and substitute the following:
"ARKANSAS SILVER ALERT SYSTEM; TO CREATE THE MISSING ENDANGERED ADULT ADVISORY SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"CONCERNING MISSING PERSONS ALERTS; TO CODIFY THE ARKANSAS AMBER ALERT SYSTEM; TO CODIFY THE ARKANSAS SILVER ALERT SYSTEM; AND TO CREATE THE MISSING ENDANGERED ADULT ADVISORY SYSTEM."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 11 through 36, and substitute the following:

"12-8-703. Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System.

(a) There is established a standardized system to aid in the search of missing adults to be known as the Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System.

(b) The Division of the Arkansas State Police shall serve as the coordinating law enforcement agency to disseminate appropriate advisories under the Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System.

(c)(1) The Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System shall be used for a

missing adult who does not meet the criteria for activation of the Arkansas Silver Alert System who has:

(A) A mental or cognitive disability that is not Alzheimer's disease or a dementia-related disorder;

(B) An intellectual disability, developmental disability, or brain injury; or

(C) Another physical, mental, or emotional disability that is not related to substance abuse.

(2) The Missing Endangered Adult Advisory Stytem will not be activated for a person who is determined to be suicidal.

(d) The Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System shall have safeguards in place to ensure that activation of the Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System:

(1) Is the only viable means by which the missing adult is likely to be returned to safety;

(2) Provides for the protection of the privacy, dignity, and independence of the missing adult;

(3) Prevents the inadvertent or unnecessary broadcasting or dissemination of sensitive health information; and

(4) Only occurs when there is sufficient descriptive information about the missing adult and the circumstances surrounding his or her disappearance to indicate that activating an advisory is likely to help locate the missing adult.

(e) The division shall:

(1) Establish the procedure for activation of the Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System;

(2) Monitor the use, activation, and results of the Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System; and

(3) Coordinate with local law enforcement to ensure the appropriate use of the Missing Endangered Adult Advisory System."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 18

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1523 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 426 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 426 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 426

Amend Senate Bill No. 426 as engrossed S4/1/25:

Add Senators J. Boyd, J. Dismang, Flippo, B. Johnson, Stone, G. Stubblefield, D. Sullivan

AND

Add Representatives Barker, Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Breaux, A. Brown, K. Brown, M. Brown, Joey Carr, Childress, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Furman, Gazaway, Gonzales, Holcomb, Jean, McNair, Milligan, J. Moore, Nazarenko, Painter, Puryear, Richmond, M. Shepherd, Torres, Tosh, Underwood, Unger, Walker

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 426 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 347, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

SENATE DISCLOSURE REPORT

Pursuant to **Senate Rule No. 24.06**, we, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, hereby report receipt of the attached disclosure from Senator Missy Irvin on April 2, 2025, regarding Senate Bill No. 347.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN Date: April 2, 2025

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 444, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 546, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 560, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 507, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1255, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1009,
BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, PRESIDER

On motion of Senator English, Senate Resolution No. 20 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE MAUMELLE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FALCONS BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2024 CLASS 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Senate Resolution No. 20 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator English, Senate Resolution No. 21 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 21
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE MAUMELLE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FALCONS BOYS' GOLF TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2024 CLASS 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Senate Resolution No. 21 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Resolution No. 42 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.42
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE CITY OF CABOT AS RECIPIENT IN 2024 OF A TRENDSETTER CITY AWARD FROM ARKANSAS BUSINESS AND AN HONORABLE MENTION IN THE ARKANSAS BUSINESS TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AND CREATIVE CULTURE CATEGORY.

Senate Resolution No. 42 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Resolution No. 51 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 51
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE BENTON HIGH SCHOOL PANTHERS BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 51 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Resolution No. 52 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 52
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE BRYANT HIGH SCHOOL HORNETS BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 52 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Resolution No. 53 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 53
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR TERRY KIMBROW, PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS UPCOMING MAY 2025 RETIREMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 53 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Resolution No. 57 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 57
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MAGNOLIA HIGH SCHOOL PANTHERS DANCE TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 1A-4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 57 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Resolution No. 58 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 58
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKADELPHIA HIGH SCHOOL BADGERS FOOTBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 58 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 25, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 37, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 39, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 88, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1705 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1705

As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUKE, ET AL

BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, *J. DOTSON*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION BE EMBEDDED INTO EXISTING SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS; TO REQUIRE INFORMATION CONCERNING HOW THE *RELIGIOUS AND MORAL BELIEFS* OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS INFLUENCED THE FOUNDING OF THE UNITED STATES TO BE EMBEDDED INTO EXISTING SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1705 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1705. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1705 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1716 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1716

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES BY THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO PROHIBIT THE ASSESSMENT OF SALES AND USE TAX IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1716 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1716. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1716 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1760 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1760
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPLICATIONS FOR THE ADJUSTMENT OF A PROPERTY ASSESSMENT; TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD DOES NOT HAVE JURISDICTION TO DETERMINE WHETHER PROPERTY QUALIFIES FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; TO PROVIDE FOR A COUNTY COURT'S JURISDICTION TO CONSIDER CERTAIN PETITIONS FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF A PROPERTY ASSESSMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1760 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1760. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1760 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1525 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1525

Amend House Bill No. 1525 as engrossed H3/5/25:

Page 2, line 32, delete "adequate" and substitute "adequate proof of"

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1525 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1814 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1814

Amend House Bill No. 1814 as originally introduced:

Add Senator B. Johnson as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1814 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 293 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 293

Amend Senate Bill No. 293 as engrossed S3/5/25:

Page 3, line 23, delete "under § 7-1-103 and § 7-1-104" and substitute "under § 7-1-103(a)(18)(B) and § 7-1-104(a)(10)"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 293, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 293 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 293

As Engrossed: S3/5/25 H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIRED POSTINGS AT A POLLING SITE; TO AMEND THE LIST CONCERNING REQUIRED POSTING OF NOTICES, INFORMATION, AND MATERIAL AT A POLLING SITE ON ELECTION DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 293 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 293. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.293 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 148 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 148
As Engrossed: S3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO ESTABLISH THE CREATING AN INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD WORKERS ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 148 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 148. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 148 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 153 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 153

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VARIOUS PROVISIONS *OF TITLE 24 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO VARIOUS CITY OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 153 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 153. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 153 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 160 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 160
As Engrossed: S3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. DOTSON, *M. MCKEE*
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 160 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 160. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.160 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 426, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hester, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 426 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 426

As Engrossed: S3/20/25 S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEFENSE AGAINST CRIMINAL ILLEGALS ACT; TO ESTABLISH ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR ILLEGAL ALIENS WHO COMMIT SERIOUS FELONIES INVOLVING VIOLENCE; TO ENSURE THAT SHERIFF'S OFFICES AND THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE WARRANT SERVICE OFFICER PROGRAM; TO EXPAND THE STATE'S CURRENT BAN ON SANCTUARY CITIES TO INCLUDE COUNTIES AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 426 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.426 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 427 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 427

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND PROMOTING PROSTITUTION OFFENSES; TO ENHANCE THE PENALTIES FOR PROMOTING PROSTITUTION IN THE FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD DEGREE; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF PROMOTING PROSTITUTION AT A BUSINESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 427 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Love spoke for the bill.

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 427. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 427 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 428 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 428
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AND ACT CONCERNING A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROVIDE A STATUTE OF LIMITATION PERIOD OF TEN YEARS FOR A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 428 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 428. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 428 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 429 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 429
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN LAWS FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS; TO PROVIDE THAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS; TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE CRIMINAL RECORD SEALING ACT OF 2013 TO EXPAND THE SEALING OF CRIMINAL RECORDS OF VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROVIDE THAT A NO-CONTACT ORDER IS MANDATORY FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 429 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 429. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 429 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 430 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 430
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE MANDATORY RESTITUTION TO BE AWARDED TO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 430 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 430. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.430 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 431 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 431
As Engrossed: S4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN LAWS FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS; TO PROVIDE THAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS; TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE CRIMINAL RECORD SEALING ACT OF 2013 TO EXPAND THE SEALING OF CRIMINAL RECORDS OF VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROVIDE THAT A NO-CONTACT ORDER IS MANDATORY FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 431 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 431. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.431 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 442 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 442

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO PROVIDE FOR FORFEITURE OF ASSETS USED TO CONDUCT HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF HARBORING AN ENDANGERED RUNAWAY CHILD; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HUMAN TRAFFICKING COUNCIL SUPPORT FUND; TO AMEND THE FINE PAYMENTS FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSES AND PROSTITUTION OFFENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 442 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.

Senator Bryant closed for the bill.

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 442. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.442 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 449 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 449

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR DEES

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY FOR CONFISCATION OF ALTERNATIVE NICOTINE PRODUCTS, VAPOR PRODUCTS, E-LIQUID PRODUCTS, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND CIGARETTE PAPERS FROM A MINOR AT A SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 449 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 449.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Dismang, Flowers.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.449 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 481 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 481
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, J. PETTY, RICE, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A MORE SUSTAINABLE SYSTEM OF PROPERTY INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY; TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL INSURANCE ACT; TO REVISE THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MULTI-AGENCY INSURANCE TRUST FUND ACT; TO COMBINE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITH STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY UNDER A SINGLE PROGRAM TO ENSURE PROPER VALUATION FOR PROPERTY INSURANCE PURPOSES; TO CREATE THE STATE CAPTIVE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACT; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC ADJUSTING IN PROPERTY INSURANCE CLAIMS; TO ALLOW FOR THE CREATION OF A CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 481 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Murdock spoke on the bill.

Senator Gilmore closed for the bill.

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 481. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 28

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Wallace.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 481, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 28

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Wallace.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 481 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 486 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 486

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SAFETY AND PRIVACY IN CERTAIN ENTITIES; CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF MULTI-OCCUPANCY RESTROOMS, CHANGING ROOMS, AND SLEEPING QUARTERS IN CERTAIN ENTITIES BASED ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S SEX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 486 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Blake Johnson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.486 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 3:23 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 489 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 489
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, G. STUBBLEFIELD
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, D. GARNER, D. WHITAKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT ON THE STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS IN RECOGNITION OF THE DESEGREGATION OF THE CHARLESTON AND FAYETTEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN 1954; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 489 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 489. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Johnson, B., McKee.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 489 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 511 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 511
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE IMPAIRMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 511 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 511. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.511 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 512 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 512

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ROBBERY AND AGGRAVATED ROBBERY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 512 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 512. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.512 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 513 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 513
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF MAIL THEFT; TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF THEFT OR UNAUTHORIZED REPRODUCTION OF A MAIL RECEPTACLE KEY OR LOCK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 513 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 513. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dotson, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Murdock.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.513 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 514 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 514
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. JOHNSON, HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A SKIMMER; TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR THE UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A SKIMMER FOR REPEAT OFFENDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 514 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 514. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.514 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 519 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 519

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STANDARD NONFORFEITURE LAW FOR LIFE INSURANCE; TO REGULATE THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON DEFERRED PAYMENT OF ANY CASH SURRENDER VALUE ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 519 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 519.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Gilmore

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.519 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 521 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 521
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT; TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD AFTER COMPLETION OF TRAINING FOR WHICH REIMBURSEMENT IS REQUIRED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 521 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 521. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.521 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 523 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 523
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A PRIVATE CLUB BE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 523 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 523. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Love

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 523 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 536 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 536

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY; TO ABOLISH THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD; TO TRANSFER CERTAIN POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE ARKANSAS STATE ARCHIVES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 536 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Sullivan closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Davis, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, English, Irvin, C. Penzo, Petty.

Total 5

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Dismang, Gilmore.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 28
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 536, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Davis, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, English, Irvin, C. Penzo, Petty.

Total 5

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Dismang, Gilmore.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....28

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Sullivan moved the clincher on Senate Bill No. 536.

Senate Bill No. 536 transmitted to the House. Emergency clause failed of adoption.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 537 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 537

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS GILMORE, *C. TUCKER*

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE EARNING SAFE REENTRY THROUGH WORK ACT; TO CREATE A SENTENCE CREDIT PROGRAM FOR A PERSON ON PROBATION, PAROLE, OR POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION TO EARN TIME CREDITS THROUGH EMPLOYMENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 537 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 537. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 537, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 537 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 539 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 539

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO UPDATE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION AND THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION; TO CLARIFY REFERENCES TO COMMUNITY CORRECTION CENTERS; TO TRANSFER SEX OFFENDER COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION ASSESSMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 539 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 539. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 539, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 539 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 544 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 544
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 544 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang spoke against the bill.
Senator Boyd spoke for the bill.
Senator Mark Johnson closed for the bill.

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 544. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 26

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hill.
Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:
Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.
Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dees.
Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 544 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 475 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 475 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 475

Amend Senate Bill 475 as engrossed S3/19/25:

Add Representative Eaves as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 5, delete lines 13 through 36

AND

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 7, and substitute the following:

"23-99-1905. Wholesale and pharmacy services administrative"

AND

Page 6, line 27, delete "23-99-1907." and substitute "23-99-1906."

AND

Page 7, line 14, delete "23-99-1908." and substitute "23-99-1907."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 475 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13

Amend Senate Joint Resolution 13 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 20, and substitute the following:

"(2) Be identified on the ballot as an independent candidate.

(D) The General Assembly may enact laws concerning the election of circuit judges and district judges, including without limitation laws concerning the procedure for:

(1) The election of circuit judges and district judges, including without limitation the manner in which candidates shall appear on a primary election ballot

and the requirements for a candidate to advance from the primary election to the general election;

(2) A candidate wishing to identify a political party affiliation on the ballot to qualify as a candidate for circuit judge or district judge; and

(3) An independent candidate to qualify as a candidate for circuit judge and district judge.

(E) This section supersedes any other conflicting election-procedure requirements for the election of circuit judges and district judges under this Constitution."

AND

Page 3, delete line 1, and substitute the following:

"(2) Be identified on the ballot as an independent candidate.

(D) The General Assembly may enact laws concerning the election of Supreme Court Justices and Court of Appeals Judges, including without limitation laws concerning the procedure for:

(1) The election of Supreme Court Justices and Court of Appeals Judges, including without limitation the manner in which candidates shall appear on a primary election ballot and the requirements for a candidate to advance from the primary election to the general election;

(2) A candidate wishing to identify a political party affiliation on the ballot to qualify as a candidate for Supreme Court Justice or Court of Appeals Judge; and

(3) An independent candidate to qualify as a candidate for Supreme Court Justice or Court of Appeals Judge.

(E) This section supersedes any other conflicting election-procedure requirements for the election of Supreme Court Justices and Court of Appeals Judges under this Constitution."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 538 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 538 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 538

Amend Senate Bill 538 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 10, delete "reissued" and substitute "reissued before the anticipation to award"

AND

Page 2, line 21, delete "or" and substitute "and"

AND

Page 4, line 11, delete "contractor awarded the contract" and substitute "anticipated awardee"

AND

Page 5, line 2, delete "~~shall be final and conclusive~~" and substitute "shall be final and conclusive and not an order as defined in the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq., but"

AND

Page 5, line 10, delete "establishment" and substitute "creation"

AND

Page 5, line 19, delete "establishment" and substitute "creation"

AND

Page 6, line 11, delete "(a)" and substitute "(a)(1)"

AND

Page 6, delete line 13, and substitute the following:
"education, and annual certification of state agency procurement personnel.

(2) The training and certification program required under subdivision (a)(1) of this section may be offered through an in-person training course or a live, virtual course."

AND

Page 7, delete lines 6 through 9, and substitute the following:

"A state agency other than an institution of higher education shall notify the Office of State Procurement that the state agency is going to issue an invitation for bids or a request for proposals at least seven (7) calendar days before issuing the solicitation."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 538 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1094 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1094
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - TOBACCO PREVENTION AND CESSATION PROGRAMS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1094 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1094. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 1094, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 1094 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1125 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1125

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - REGULATORY DIVISION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1125 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1125. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1125, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1125 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1232 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1232

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1232 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1232. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1232, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1232 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 354 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 354
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 354 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King spoke on the bill.
Senator Boyd spoke for the bill.
Senator Blake Johnson spoke for the bill.

Pairs were announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 2, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 354

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 2, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 354

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Irvin.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 354, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Irvin.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 359, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 520, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JIM PETTY, VICE CHAIRMAN
SENATOR BART HESTER
SENATOR TERRY RICE
SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT
SENATOR JANE ENGLISH
SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS
SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 408, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 494, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 495, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 529, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 530, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1274, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARREN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1658, BY REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1072, BY REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER,
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report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1523, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1523 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1525, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1814, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

Senate Bill No. 229 was returned from the House as requested.

SENATE BILL NO. 609
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION OF A MINOR; TO PROVIDE FOR A MINOR'S RIGHT TO CONSULT WITH HIS OR HER PARENT OR GUARDIAN BEFORE A CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 609 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 610
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE GENERATING ARKANSAS JOBS ACT OF 2025; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 610 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 611
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 611 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 612
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR THE USE OF A DESIGN, ALGORITHM, OR FEATURE BY A SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM THAT CAUSES HARM; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM THAT KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY CONTRIBUTES TO THE SUICIDE OR ATTEMPTED SUICIDE OF A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 612 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 550 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 550
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE ARKANSAS LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION TO THE ARKANSAS BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 550 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 550. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Clark, Payton.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Johnson, M..

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 550 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Flippo, Senate Bill No. 564 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 564
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "BEER"; TO CHANGE THE ALLOWABLE ALCOHOLIC CONTENT IN BEER; TO INCLUDE MALT BEVERAGES WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "BEER"; TO AMEND REFERENCES IN THE ARKANSAS CODE TO BEER WITH AN ALCOHOL CONTENT OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 564 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flippo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 564. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Love, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 8

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 564 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 570 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 570
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 570 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 570. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Davis.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 570 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 571 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 571

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND ZONING REGULATIONS; TO PROHIBIT A MUNICIPALITY FROM ENFORCING BUILDINGS AND ZONING REGULATIONS ON COUNTY PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 571 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 571. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Gilmore, Leding, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 571 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 574 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 574
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A MUNICIPALITY THAT OPERATES A WATERWORKS SYSTEM OR SEWAGE SYSTEM TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO COUNTY PROPERTY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 574 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Hester, Johnson, B., McKee, Petty, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 13

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Gilmore, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, M., King, Love, Stubblefield.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Dismang, Flippo, Irvin, Leding, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 9

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Rice, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....24
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Petty moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 574 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 574 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 2, 2025.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 586 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 586
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO BE KNOWN AS THE "PROTECT OUR CONSTITUTION ACT"; CONCERNING THE PERCENTAGE OF VOTES REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO VOTERS UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1; AMENDING ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1, AS AUTHORIZED BY THAT PROVISION OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 586 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator King spoke against the bill.

Senator Dotson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 13

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Irvin, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 7

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 26

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 586, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 13

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Irvin, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 7

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....26

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed to pass

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 586 along with Emergency Clause failed to pass.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 594 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 594

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION TO SUPPLY A PUBLIC SERVICE OR TO EXTEND A PUBLIC SERVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 594 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 594. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 594 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 475, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 538, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 475 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 538 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 13, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 613
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE AN ELECTION PROCEDURE TO DETERMINE FLUORIDATION OF A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 613 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 614
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 614 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 615
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENERGY; TO REGULATE NONEXPORT FACILITIES; TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NONEXPORT FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 615 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 567, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 573, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 577, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 369, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 500, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 605, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1552, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1594, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1759, BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 61
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR WARREN A. STEPHENS OF ARKANSAS AND TO SUPPORT HIS NOMINATION AS THE AMBASSADOR TO THE COURT OF ST. JAMES'S.

Senate Resolution No. 61 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1142

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE REPRODUCTIVE EMPOWERMENT AND SUPPORT THROUGH OPTIMAL RESTORATION (RESTORE) ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1142 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1148

As Engrossed: H2/5/25 H2/10/25 H2/17/25 H3/4/25 H3/11/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, MILLIGAN

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PRIVACY ACT; TO ADDRESS CERTAIN IMAGES CAPTURED BY UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1148 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1277

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND PAYMENTS FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION REGARDING PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS; AND FOR OTHER* PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1277 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1341

As Engrossed: H3/17/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PAY" UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1341 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1344
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS *TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO CORRECT THE NAME OF THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF UNDER TITLE 24 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1344 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1426
As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
B*Y: SENATOR IRVIN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE INSURER" UNDER THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO CLARIFY THE PROHIBITION ON LEASING A HEALTHCARE CONTRACT OR PROVIDER NETWORK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1426 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1498

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MILITARY-TYPE CANTEENS AND EXCHANGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1498 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1515

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY *TO ORDER THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD INTO SERVICE; TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD FOR* MATTERS RELATED TO MILITARY JUSTICE AND TO ADDRESS STAFFING SHORTAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1515 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1526

H3/6/25 H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY TO ENTER INTO PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GIFTS RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1526 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1638

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODERNIZE REFERENCES TO THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; TO AMEND ARMED FORCES AND UNIFORMED SERVICES LISTINGS TO INCLUDE THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1638 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1653

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, *WOOLDRIDGE*

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MOVE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES FROM THE CHILD WELFARE AGENCY REVIEW BOARD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; TO SET STANDARDS FOR THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT *FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1653 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1739

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC LEGAL MATERIALS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1739 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1752
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SAVINGS PLANS FROM THE EXECUTION OF A JUDGMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1752 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1763
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT OF 2013; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF UNLAWFUL USE OF A COMMUNICATION DEVICE DURING THE COMMISSION OF A HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1763 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1812
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDENT WHO TAKES AND PASSES A GED TEST; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT; TO CREATE AN EXCEPTION TO THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR A STUDENT WHO TAKES A GED TEST AND RECEIVES A GED; TO AMEND THE SCORE REQUIREMENTS FOR PASSAGE OF THE GED TEST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1812 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1815
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PERRY, ET AL
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, J. DOTSON, K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE'S JURISDICTION OVER FEDERAL LANDS; TO RETAIN JUVENILE JUSTICE JURISDICTION BY THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1815 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1820

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE AUTOMATIC RENEWAL AND CONTINUOUS SERVICE OFFERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1820 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1824

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, ET AL

BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CRUELTY TO ANIMALS; TO CREATE THE DOG AND CAT RESCUE ACT: DAISY'S LAW; TO AUTHORIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO SECURE A DOG OR CAT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1824 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1826

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR DELIVERY OF A NEWBORN IN A LICENSED BIRTHING CENTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1826 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1833

As Engrossed: H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, *ACHOR, F. ALLEN, BROOKS, M. BROWN, CAVENAUGH, CLOWNEY, A. COLLINS, EAVES, EVANS, GRAMLICH, HAWK, L. JOHNSON, MADDOX, PERRY, PILKINGTON, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, WARREN*

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. BOYD, *HESTER, G. LEDING*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ADMISSIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COLLEGE OF MEDICINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1833 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1851
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR FOOD, FOOD INGREDIENTS, AND PREPARED FOOD SOLD IN A PUBLIC, COMMON, HIGH SCHOOL, OR COLLEGE CAFETERIA OR DINING FACILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1851 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1854
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT A HOME CAREGIVER FROM HOME CAREGIVER TRAINING IF HE OR SHE PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED TRAINING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1854 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1865
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, ET AL
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE AN ENHANCED PENALTY FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES AGAINST A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1865 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1889
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIMITATIONS ON ACCESS TO A DISPENSARY OR CULTIVATION FACILITY; TO AUTHORIZE A DISPENSARY TO DELIVER ORDERS VIA A DELIVERY VEHICLE OR VIA A DRIVE-THROUGH WINDOW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1889 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Senate Bill No. 100 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 264 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 305 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 365 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 391 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 392 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 411 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 416 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 132 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 367 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 104 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 257 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 323 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 104 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 257 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 323 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 597, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 458, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 599, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 600, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1630, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1641, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 447, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 496, BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 540, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 562, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 258, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 492, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 2, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1798, BY REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, VICE CHAIRMAN

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 148
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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
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SENATE BILL NO. 481
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SENATE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
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SENATE BILL NO. 536

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 100
SENATE BILL NO. 264
SENATE BILL NO. 305
SENATE BILL NO. 365
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SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 392

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 257 AS AMENDED NO. 1
SENATE BILL NO. 323 AS AMENDED NO. 1
SENATE BILL NO. 367 AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 104 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2
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HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1142
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1889

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

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HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1705
HOUSE BILL NO. 1716
HOUSE BILL NO. 1760

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1094
HOUSE BILL NO. 1125
HOUSE BILL NO. 1232

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
HAVING FAILED TO PASS

HOUSE BILL NO. 1725

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, April 3, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

EIGHTY-FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 3, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER.

Senator Tucker requested leave for Senators Flowers and Wallace. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Bishop John T. W. Harmon.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 561 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 561

Amend Senate Bill No. 561 as originally introduced:

Add Representative A. Brown as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 561 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 485 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 485

Amend Senate Bill No. 485 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-4-101, concerning definitions with respect to the disposition of offenders, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(8) "Criminogenic" means those factors which are static and dynamic personal and situational characteristics that increase the risk of criminality and reoffending.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-4-303(a), concerning the requirements that a court shall attach as conditions of the suspension of a sentence or probation, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) If a court suspends imposition of sentence on a defendant or places him or her on probation, the court shall attach such conditions as are reasonably necessary to assist the defendant in leading a law-abiding life.

(2) Conditions attached by the court shall be narrowly tailored:

(A) To account for the rehabilitation of the defendant and for public safety; and

(B) To the criminogenic risks and needs of the defendant.

(3)(A) If a presentence investigation has been conducted under § 5-4-102, the court shall take into consideration the findings of the presentence investigation when determining the conditions of the defendant's probation.

(B) If the court does not order a presentence investigation, the court shall rely on all available information before the court in determining the conditions of probation.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 5-4-303(c), concerning the requirements that a court may attach as conditions of the suspension of a sentence or probation, is amended to read as follows:

(c) If the court suspends imposition of sentence on a defendant or places him or her on probation, as a condition of its order the court may require that the defendant:

(1) Support his or her dependents and meet his or her family responsibilities;

(2) Undergo available medical or psychiatric treatment and enter and remain in a specified institution when required for medical or psychiatric treatment;

(3) Participate in a community-based rehabilitative program or work-release program that uses practices proven to reduce recidivism and for which the court may impose a reasonable fee or assessment on the defendant to be used in support of the community-based rehabilitative program or work-release program;

(4)(A) Refrain from frequenting an unlawful or designated place or consorting with a designated person.

(B) A designated person may be a specific individual or a specific class of persons, but only when reasons for such designation are set forth in the order;

(5) Have no firearm in his or her possession;

(6) Make restitution to an aggrieved party in an amount the defendant can afford to pay for the actual loss or damage caused by his or her offense;

(7) Post a bond, with or without surety, conditioned on the

performance of a prescribed condition; and

(8) Satisfy any other condition reasonably related to the rehabilitation of the defendant and not unduly restrictive of his or her liberty or incompatible with his or her freedom of conscience.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 5-4-306 is amended to read as follows:

5-4-306. Time period generally.

If a court suspends imposition of sentence on a defendant or places him or her on probation, the period of suspension or probation shall be for a definite period of time not to exceed the maximum jail or prison sentence allowable for the offense charged taking into account the recommended periods of suspension or probation as adopted by the Arkansas Sentencing Commission.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 12-27-103(b)(18), concerning the functions, power, and duties of the Division of Correction, is amended to read as follows:

(18) The Department of Corrections shall establish the Evidence-based Practices and Quality Assurance Unit that conducts programs of research, evaluation, statistics, audit, and planning, including studies and evaluation of the performance of various functions and activities of the department and studies affecting the treatment of offenders and information about other programs; and

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 12-27-126(d), concerning the duties of the Director of the Division of Community Correction, is amended to read as follows:

(d) Subject to the rules, policies, and procedures prescribed by the Board of Corrections, the director shall:

(1) Administer the Division of Community Correction and supervise the administration of all facilities, programs, and services under the Division of Community Correction's jurisdiction;

(2) Employ such personnel as are required in the administration of the provisions of this ~~act~~ subchapter, provided that the employment of personnel shall be in accordance with the applicable laws and personnel rules of the state;

(3) Institute programs for the training and development of personnel within the Division of Community Correction and have authority to suspend, discharge, or otherwise discipline personnel in accordance with policies prescribed by the Board of Corrections;

(4) Make an annual report to the Board of Corrections, which will be forwarded to the Governor and the General Assembly, on the work of the Division of Community Correction, including statistics and other data, income derived from fee collection, a summary of expenditures of the Division of Community Correction, and progress reports regarding internal issues such as offender success, programming development, bed space utilization, and future needs; ~~and~~

(5) Cooperate with the Division of Correction, the Post-Prison Transfer Board, the Arkansas Sentencing Commission, judicial districts, counties, and municipalities to provide the guidance and services required to ensure a full range of

correctional and community correction options for the state as a whole; and

(6) In consultation with the Evidence-based Practices and Quality Assurance Unit, develop a system for evaluating and promoting a community supervision officer based on dimensions that include without limitation the community supervision officer's ability to:

(A) Accurately complete risk and needs assessments;

(B) Develop evidence-based supervision case plans based on the results of the risk and needs assessment; and

(C) Engage and encourage a person to participate in the rehabilitation-oriented case plan and to change his or her behaviors.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 12-27-127(a), concerning the transfer of an inmate to the Division of Community Correction, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(3) When the committing court designates that a statutorily eligible inmate may not be administratively transferred to a community correction center, the committing court shall include in the sentencing order under subdivision (a)(2) of this section a written explanation of how the committing court determined that the inmate should not be administratively transferred.

SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 12-29-112, concerning the discharge or release of an inmate from a state facility, is amended to add additional subsections to read as follows:

(f) To the extent that an inmate is engaging in prosocial activities while incarcerated, the inmate's reentry plan shall prioritize the continuation of those activities, including without limitation continued employment and continued participation in mental health treatment or substance abuse treatment, or both.

(g) As used in this section, "prosocial" means positive behaviors, activities, efforts, and attitudes that, according to current research, encourage an individual to adhere to societal norms and avoid criminal behavior.

SECTION 9. Arkansas Code § 16-10-103, concerning the training and education of court personnel, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(c) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall consult with the Department of Corrections to develop training and judicial education on the use of evidence-based practices to reduce recidivism, including without limitation the use of risk and needs assessment tools.

SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 16-13-703(c)(2), concerning imprisonment credit for a period of imprisonment for nonpayment of a fine, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) The period of imprisonment shall not exceed one (1) day for each ~~forty dollars ($40.00)~~ one hundred dollars ($100) of the fine, thirty (30) days if

the fine was imposed upon conviction of a misdemeanor, or one (1) year if the fine was imposed upon conviction of a felony, whichever is the shorter period.

(B)(i) ~~The~~ For a defendant who was eligible to be represented by a public defender, the total amount of fines owed shall ~~not~~ automatically be reduced by the period of imprisonment~~, but the court may~~ with a credit ~~forty dollars ($40.00)~~ of one hundred dollars ($100) for each day of imprisonment against the total fine, excluding any amount owed for restitution, the defendant has been sentenced to pay.

(ii) A defendant who was not eligible to be represented by a public defender may petition the court for the relief provided under subdivision (c)(2)(B)(i) of this section.

SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 16-90-102, concerning presentence officers appointed by the judicial district to prepare presentence reports, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(d) Notwithstanding subsections (a) through (c) of this section and subject to funding by the General Assembly, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall develop a pilot program to expand the number of presentence officers dedicated to preparing presentence reports with a validated risk and needs assessment component.

SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 16-90-802(d)(1), concerning the powers and duties of the Arkansas Sentencing Commission, is amended to read as follows:

(1)(A) The commission shall adopt an initial sentencing standards grid and an offense seriousness reference table based upon the statutory parameters and additional data and information gathered before January 1, 1994.

(B) The commission shall also set:

(i) ~~the~~ The percentage of time within parameters set by law to be served for offenses at each seriousness level before any type of transfer or release; and

(ii) Guidelines for presumptive periods of suspension or probation;

SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 16-90-802(d)(11), concerning the powers and duties of the Arkansas Sentencing Commission, is amended to read as follows:

(11) Coordinate with the Director of the Arkansas Sentencing Commission, the Division of Correction, and the Division of Community Correction to develop policy to ensure that the intake process ~~best utilizes~~ maximizes the use of beds in nontraditional correctional facilities, including without limitation community correction centers, work release centers, and reentry facilities; and

SECTION 14. Arkansas Code § 16-90-1304(b), concerning the application of earned discharge and completion of sentence, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) ~~No less~~ If the Division of Community Correction proposes to discharge

the sentence of a person under community supervision under this subchapter, no fewer than forty-five (45) days before the discharge date, the ~~Division of Community Correction~~ division shall submit notice to:

(A) The prosecuting attorney; and

(B) The Post-Prison Transfer Board.

(2)(A) Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the earned discharge notice under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the prosecuting attorney or the board may submit to the division ~~in writing~~ any reasonable objection to early discharge under this subchapter warranting the forfeiture of earned-discharge credit.

(B) An objection submitted under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section shall be in writing and state the reason for the objection.

(3) If an objection under subdivision (b)(2) of this section is lodged, the division shall immediately suspend the discharge of the sentence.

(4) The parolee or probationer may file a petition for review in the sentencing court.

(5) A review shall be conducted in the sentencing court within fourteen (14) days of the filing of the petition.

(6)(A) The sentencing court shall consider the objections against the person based solely on the information contained in the petition.

(B) The sentencing court shall determine, based on a preponderance of the evidence, whether the person should not be discharged from the sentence because, if the information contained in the petition had been known to the division, the division would have ordered the forfeiture of any of the discharge credit earned to that point or if insufficient evidence exists that would warrant the forfeiture of discharge credit.

(C) If the sentencing court finds sufficient evidence warranting a forfeiture of discharge credits, the division shall make the necessary forfeiture of earned discharge credit appropriate for the type of misconduct asserted in the objection.

(D)(i) If the sentencing court does not find sufficient evidence exists that warrants forfeiture of discharge credits, the division shall discharge the person immediately if the date upon which the completion of the sentence occurred has passed.

(ii) If the date for completion of the sentence has not occurred, the person shall return to the status held at the point the objection was filed.

SECTION 15. Arkansas Code § 16-93-101, concerning definitions with respect to probation and parole, is amended to add additional subdivisions to read as follows:

(16) "Criminogenic" means those factors which are static and dynamic personal and situational characteristics that increase the risk of criminality and reoffending; and

(17) "Prosocial" means positive behaviors, activities, efforts, and

attitudes that, according to current research, encourage an individual to adhere to societal norms and avoid criminal behavior.

SECTION 16. Arkansas Code § 16-93-306(c), concerning probation supervision generally, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) The Division of Community Correction shall allocate resources, including the assignment of probation officers, to focus on moderate-risk and high-risk offenders as determined by the actuarial assessment provided in subdivision (b)(6) of this section.

(2) The Division of Community Correction shall require public and private treatment and service providers that receive state funds for the treatment of or service for probationers to use evidence-based programs and practices.

(3) The Department of Corrections shall:

(A) Develop a process for annually evaluating each provider under subdivision (c)(2) of this section; and

(B) Establish a clear policy disqualifying a noncompliant provider from receiving public funds until the provider demonstrates the ability to comply with the requirements of subdivision (c)(2) of this section.

(4) In addition to the requirements in § 12-27-104, the Board of Corrections shall include in its annual report the results of annual evaluations under subdivision (c)(3)(A) of this section, listing each provider determined to be noncompliant.

(5) The Division of Community Correction shall develop a feedback system that routinely provides the Division of Community Correction with process and aggregated outcome data.

SECTION 17. Arkansas Code § 16-93-306(d)(2), concerning administrative sanctions while on probation supervision, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) The Division of Community Correction shall develop an ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctions procedure and grid to guide a probation officer in determining the appropriate response to prosocial behavior or a violation of conditions of supervision.

(B) ~~Intermediate sanctions~~ Sanctions administered by the Division of Community Correction are required to conform to the incentives and sanctioning grid.

(C) The ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctioning grid shall include:

(i) An assignment of point values to commonly occurring violations of terms of probation or criminal behavior;

(ii) An assignment of point values to and suitable rewards for behaviors that demonstrate prosocial effort or decrease the likelihood of recidivism, including without limitation:

(a) Education;

(b) Workforce development;

(c) Community service; ~~and~~

(d) Behavioral health programming; and

(e) Prosocial activity;

(iii) Details on the mechanisms by which points are accumulated and reduced; ~~and~~

(iv) Guidance on which ~~intermediate~~ sanctions should be applied at which point thresholds;

(v) Rewards that are attainable and meaningful at each risk level to motivate individuals throughout stages of supervision, including without limitation achieving individualized goals, milestones, and accomplishments; and

(vi) Guidance on the appropriate motivational ratio of rewards to sanctions.

SECTION 18. Arkansas Code § 16-93-712(a), concerning parole supervision, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) The Post-Prison Transfer Board shall establish written policies and procedures governing the supervision of parolees designed to enhance public safety and to assist the parolees in reintegrating into society.

(2)(A) The supervision of parolees shall be based on evidence-based practices based on current research, including a validated risk-needs assessment.

(B) Decisions shall target the parolee's criminal risk factors with appropriate supervision and treatment designed to reduce the likelihood of reoffense.

(C) Conditions of supervision shall be narrowly tailored to:

(i) Account for the rehabilitation of the parolee and for public safety; and

(ii) The criminogenic risks and needs of the individual parolee.

SECTION 19. Arkansas Code § 16-93-712(c), concerning the services provided to people under parole supervision, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(3) The Department of Corrections shall:

(A) Develop a process for annually evaluating each provider under subdivision (c)(2) of this section; and

(B) Establish a clear policy disqualifying a noncompliant provider from receiving public funds until the provider demonstrates the ability to comply with the requirements under subdivision (c)(2) of this section.

(4) In addition to the requirements in § 12-27-104, the Board of Corrections shall include in the annual report the results of annual evaluations under subdivision (c)(3)(A) of this section, listing each provider determined to be noncompliant.

SECTION 20. Arkansas Code § 16-93-712(d)(2), concerning administrative

sanctions while on parole, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A)(i) The Division of Community Correction shall develop an ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctions procedure and grid to guide a community supervision officer in determining the appropriate response to prosocial behaviors or a violation of conditions of supervision.

(ii) The ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctions procedure shall include a requirement that the community supervision officer consider multiple factors when determining the sanction to be imposed, including risk level, previous violations and sanctions, and the severity of the current and prior violation.

(B) ~~Intermediate~~ Incentives and sanctions administered by the Division of Community Correction are required to conform to the incentives and sanctioning grid.

(C) The ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctioning grid shall include:

(i) An assignment of point values to commonly occurring violations of terms of parole or criminal behavior;

(ii) An assignment of point values to and suitable rewards for behaviors that demonstrate prosocial effort or decrease the likelihood of recidivism, including without limitation:

(a) Education;

(b) Workforce development;

(c) Community service; ~~and~~

(d) Behavioral health programming; and

(e) Prosocial activity;

(iii) Details on the mechanisms by which points are accumulated and reduced; ~~and~~

(iv) Guidance on which ~~intermediate~~ sanctions should be applied at which point thresholds;

(v) Rewards that are attainable and meaningful at each risk level to encourage individuals throughout the stages of supervision, including without limitation achieving individualized goals, milestones, and accomplishments; and

(vi) Guidance on the appropriate motivational ratio of rewards to sanctions.

SECTION 21. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1202(6), concerning the definition of "eligibility" or "eligible offender" with respect to community correction, is amended to read as follows:

(6) “Eligibility” or “eligible offender” means any person convicted of a felony who is by law eligible for such sentence or who is otherwise under the supervision of the Division of Community Correction ~~and~~ who:

(A) ~~who falls~~ Falls within the population targeted by the General Assembly for inclusion in community correction facilities;

(B) ~~and who has~~ Has not been subject to a disciplinary violation

for a violent act or for sexual misconduct while in the custody of a jail or correctional facility; and

(C) ~~does~~ Does not have a current or previous conviction for a violent or sexual offense listed under subdivision (10)(A)(ii) of this section unless the previous conviction:

(i) Was more than five (5) years before the instant offense; and

(ii) Resulted in a sentence that has expired;

SECTION 22. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1906(a)(3), concerning post-release supervision, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(C) Conditions of post-release supervision shall be narrowly tailored to:

(i) Account for the rehabilitation of the offender and for public safety; and

(ii) The criminogenic risks and needs of the offender.

SECTION 23. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1906(c), concerning the services provided people who are under post-release supervision, is amended to add additional subdivisions to read as follows:

(3) The Department of Corrections shall:

(A) Develop a process for annually evaluating each provider under subdivision (c)(2) of this section; and

(B) Establish a clear policy disqualifying a noncompliant provider from receiving public funds until the provider demonstrates the ability to comply with the requirements of subdivision (c)(2) of this section.

(4) In addition to the requirements in § 12-27-104, the Board of Corrections shall include in the annual report the results of annual evaluations under subdivision (c)(3)(A) of this section, listing each provider determined to be noncompliant.

SECTION 24. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1907(a)(2), concerning administrative sanctions while on post-release supervision, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) The Division of Community Correction shall develop an ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctions procedure and an ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctions grid to guide a community supervision officer in determining the appropriate response to prosocial behavior or a violation of the conditions of supervision.

(B) ~~Intermediate~~ Incentives and sanctions administered by the Division of Community Correction shall conform to the ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctions grid.

(C) The ~~intermediate~~ incentives and sanctions grid shall include:

(i) An assignment of point values to commonly occurring

violations of terms of post-release supervision or criminal behavior;

(ii) An assignment of point values to and suitable rewards for behaviors that demonstrate prosocial effort or decrease the likelihood of recidivism including without limitation:

(a) Education;

(b) Workforce development;

(c) Community service; ~~and~~

(d) Behavioral health programming; and

(e) Prosocial activity;

(iii) Details on the mechanisms by which points are accumulated and reduced; ~~and~~

(iv) Guidance on which ~~intermediate~~ sanctions should be applied at which ~~points~~ point thresholds;

(v) Rewards that are attainable and meaningful at each risk level to encourage individuals throughout the stages of supervision, including without limitation achieving individualized goals, milestones, and accomplishments; and

(vi) Guidance on the appropriate motivational ratio of rewards to sanctions."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 485 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 488 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 488

Amend Senate Bill No. 488 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Dalby as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 36, and substitute the following:

"~~(A) A~~ a juvenile who was ten (10) years of age ~~old~~ or older at the time the juvenile ~~who~~:

~~(i)~~(A) ~~Has committed~~ Committed an act, other than a traffic offense or game and fish violation, that, if the act had been committed by an adult, would subject the adult to prosecution for a felony, misdemeanor, or violation under the applicable criminal laws of this state;

~~(ii)~~(B) ~~Has violated~~ Violated § 5-73-119~~; or~~,

~~(iii) Has violated~~ § 5-71-217(d)(2), ~~cyberbullying of a school employee~~ or another criminal law or status offense that can only be committed by a juvenile under the laws of this state; or

~~(B)~~(C) ~~Any juvenile charged with capital murder, § 5-10-101, or murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102, subject~~ Committed an offense which later results in ~~to~~ an extended juvenile jurisdiction designation;

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 and 2

AND

Page 2, delete lines 7 through 16, and substitute the following:

(33) "Juvenile" means an individual who ~~is~~:

(A) ~~From~~ Is from birth to eighteen (18) years of age, whether married or single; or

(B) Was under eighteen (18) years of age at the time a delinquent offense occurred but has since reached the age of majority; or

(C) ~~Adjudicated~~ Was adjudicated delinquent, a juvenile member of a family in need of services, or dependent or dependent-neglected by the juvenile division of circuit court prior to eighteen (18) years of age and for whom the juvenile division of circuit court retains jurisdiction;

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 488 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 575 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 575

Amend Senate Bill No. 575 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Dalby as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete line 10, and substitute the following:
"COLLECTED IN CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEES; TO CREATE"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSTALLMENT FEES COLLECTED IN CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEES; AND TO CREATE THE JUSTICE SYSTEM TASK FORCE."

AND

Page 1, delete line 23, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-65-119(a)(2), as amended by Acts 2025, No. 419, § 50, concerning the distribution of the driver's license reinstatement fee collected by the Office of Driver Services after a suspension for driving or boating while intoxicated or refusal to submit to a chemical test, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The fee under subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall be ~~distributed as follows:~~

~~(A) Seven percent (7%) of the revenues derived from this fee shall be deposited into the State Treasury as special revenues and credited to the Public Health Fund to be used exclusively for the Office of Alcohol Testing of the~~

~~Department of Health;~~

~~(B) Thirty-three percent (33%) of the revenues derived from this fee shall be deposited as special revenues into the State Treasury into the Constitutional Officers Fund and the State Central Services Fund as a direct revenue to be used by the Office of Driver Services for use in supporting the administrative driver's licensing revocation and sanctions programs provided for in this subchapter;~~

~~(C) Ten percent (10%) of the revenues derived from this fee shall be deposited into the State Treasury, and the Treasurer of State shall credit them as general revenues to the various funds in the respective amounts to each and to be used for the purposes as provided in the Revenue Stabilization Law, § 19-5-101 et seq.; and~~

~~(D) Fifty percent (50%) of the revenues derived from this fee shall be deposited into the State Treasury as special revenues to the credit of the Division of Arkansas State Police Fund~~ deposited into the State Treasury and the Treasurer of State shall credit the amount as general revenue to the various funds in the respective amounts to each to be used for the purposes provided in the Revenue Stabilization Law, § 19-5-101 et seq.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-65-304(d)(3), concerning the driver privilege reinstatement fee collected by the Office of Driver Services after a suspension for underage driving or boating under the influence, is amended to read as follows:

(3) Forty percent (40%) of the revenues derived from the fee under this subsection shall be deposited into the State Treasury, ~~as special revenues and credited to the Public Health Fund to be used exclusively for the Blood Alcohol Program of the Department of Health~~ and the Treasurer of State shall credit the amount as general revenue to the various funds in the respective amounts to each to be used for the purposes provided in the Revenue Stabilization Law, § 19-5-101 et seq.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 5-65-310(f)(3), concerning the driving privilege reinstatement fee collected by the Office of Driver Services after a suspension for an underaged person for refusal to submit to a chemical test, is amended to read as follows:

(3) Forty percent (40%) of the revenues derived from the fee under this subsection shall be deposited into the State Treasury, ~~as special revenues and credited to the Public Health Fund to be used exclusively for the Blood Alcohol Program of the Department of Health~~ and the Treasurer of State shall credit the amount as general revenue to the various funds in the respective amounts to each to be used for the purposes provided in the Revenue Stabilization Law, § 19-5-101 et seq.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 16-13-704(b)(2)(A)(i), as amended by Acts"

AND

Appropriately renumber the Sections of the bill

AND

Page 6, delete line 27, and substitute the following:

"(f) The task force expires on December 31, 2026.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVE DATE. Sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, and 9 of this act are effective on July 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 575 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 583 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 583

Amend Senate Bill No. 583 as originally introduced:

Add Representative J. Moore

AND

Page 2, delete line 6, and substitute the following:

"($10,000) per violation.

(4) The private right of action created in this section does not permit an action against any government, governmental agency, or governmental official."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 583 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, House Bill No. 1072 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1072

Amend House Bill No. 1072 as engrossed H3/19/25:

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 5, and substitute the following:

"(C) A taxpayer who has previously submitted a letter under this subsection shall notify the county collector if:

(i) There has been a legal change in the status of the taxpayer and the taxpayer no longer qualifies for the exemption provided under this

section; or

(ii) There is a change in the property description, ownership, use, or occupancy of the property for which the taxpayer claimed an exemption under this section in the immediately preceding assessment year.

(D) A taxpayer claiming an exemption under this section who changes his or her homestead shall submit a new letter under this section to the county collector of the county in which the new homestead is located.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 26-3-306, concerning the property tax exemption for disabled veterans, surviving spouses, and minor dependent children, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(g) If a county collector determines that an exemption under this section was granted erroneously, the county collector:

(1) Shall remove the exemption from the property; and

(2) May levy up to three (3) years of the property taxes that should have been paid on the property plus any applicable penalties, interest, and costs and collect the taxes, penalties, interest, and costs from the taxpayer who claimed the erroneous exemption."

AND

Page 2, line 7, delete "SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is" and substitute "SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. Sections 1 and 2 of this act are"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1072 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1255 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1255

Amend House Bill No. 1255 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 6, delete "processes and paperwork"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1255 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 49 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Boyd, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 49 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Boyd, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 229 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 100, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 264, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 293, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 305, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 365, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 391, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 392, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 411, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 416, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:09 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 100
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SENATE BILL NO. 392
SENATE BILL NO. 411
SENATE BILL NO. 416

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this third day of April, 2025 at 9:41 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

((SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 561, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 561 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPIRATION, TECHNOLOGY& LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 485, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 488, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 575, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 583, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1072, BY REPRESENTATIVE COOPER, ET AL,
BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1255, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & ALBOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 497, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 576, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 601, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 121, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 122, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 217, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 262, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 585, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 603, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1429, BY REPRESENTATIVE SHEPHERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 400, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 563, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1681, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 580, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 406, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1701, BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1808, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKENZIE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 437, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 475, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 611, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 527, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 596, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 602, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 610, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 615, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
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REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1296, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1314, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1333, BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1424, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1426, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1703, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1736, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1737, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1746, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1788, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1859, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1531, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1602, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1771, BY REPRESENTATIVE PERRY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1820, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE VAN BUREN HIGH SCHOOL POINTERS WRESTLING TEAM AS THE 2024-2025 CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONS AND THE LADY POINTERS WRESTLING TEAM AS THE 2024-2025 CLASS 5A STATE RUNNERS-UP.

Senate Resolution No. 62 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 616
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY RESIDENT MONITORING AND COMMUNICATIONS ACT; TO ESTABLISH RESIDENT RIGHTS FOR ELECTRONIC MONITORING AND COMMUNICATION IN LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES; TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK FOR RESIDENT MONITORING SYSTEMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 616 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 617
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CAPITOL ZONING DISTRICT; TO AMEND THE ZONING AUTHORITY OF THE CAPITOL ZONING DISTRICT COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 617 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 618
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS STUDENT DUE PROCESS AND PROTECTION ACT; TO REQUIRE AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO INFORM A STUDENT OF HIS OR HER RIGHT TO REPRESENTATION; TO AMEND THE TIME FRAME FOR APPEALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 618 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Resolution No. 61 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 61
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR WARREN A. STEPHENS OF ARKANSAS AND TO SUPPORT HIS NOMINATION AS THE AMBASSADOR TO THE COURT OF ST. JAMES'S

Senate Resolution No. 61 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 1:35 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 104, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House amendment Nos. 1 & 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
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REGULAR SESSION

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Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 257, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 323, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass to concur in House amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 439, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 516, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 565, BY SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO,
SENATE BILL NO. 578, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 613, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1470, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,
HOUSE BILL NO.1519, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
HOUSE BILL NO.1713, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,
HOUSE BILL NO.1740, BY REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE,

HOUSE BILL NO.1803, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,
HOUSE BILL NO.1842, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,
HOUSE BILL NO.1843, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1243, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 118 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 118

Amend Senate Bill No. 118 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 5, delete "includes without limitation:" and substitute "includes:"

AND

Page 2, delete line 9, and substitute the following:
"(iii) Ordering but not interpreting cultures and bloodwork testing solely as relating to the auditory or vestibular conditions in the human ear;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 11 and 12, and substitute the following:
"nonradiographic testing of the external auditory canal solely for the evaluation of hearing and balance disorders; and
(v) Ordering but not interpreting radiographic imaging solely as relating to the auditory or vestibular conditions in the human ear."

AND

Page 2, line 19, delete "surgery; or" and substitute "surgery;"

AND

Page 2, delete line 21, and substitute the following:
"radiographic imaging; or
(v) The use or interpretation of cultures, bloodwork testing, or radiographic imaging to diagnose or treat;"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 118, adopted by the House, was read the first time , rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 118 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 118

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "AUDIOLOGY" RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF AUDIOLOGISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 118 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 118. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.118 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 320 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 320

Amend Senate Bill No. 320 as originally introduced:

Delete SECTION 3 in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 3-3-203(f), concerning purchase or possession of intoxicating liquor, wine, or beer by a person under eighteen (18) years of age, is amended to read as follows:

(f) A person under eighteen (18) years of age who violates this section is subject to the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 5-26-502(a)(3) and (4), concerning unlawful transfer of care or supervision of a juvenile by a person who was awarded custody or granted adoption of the juvenile in a dependency-neglect case, are amended to read as follows:

(3)(A) Has been awarded custody or granted an adoption or guardianship of a juvenile pursuant to or arising out of a dependency-neglect action ~~pursuant to~~ under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., and subsequently places the juvenile in the care or supervision of any person:

(i) From whom the juvenile was removed; or

(ii) The court has specifically ordered not to have care, supervision, or custody of the juvenile.

(B) Subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this section shall not be construed to prohibit a placement described in subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this section if the person who has been granted custody, adoption, or guardianship obtains a court order to that effect from the juvenile division of circuit court that made the award of custody, adoption, or guardianship; or

(4) Accepts or acquiesces in taking physical custody for any length of time of a juvenile who was removed from the person or if the court has specifically ordered that the person not have care, supervision, or custody of the juvenile pursuant to or arising out of a dependency-neglect action ~~pursuant to~~ under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 5-26-502(e)(1), concerning requirements for providing notice when the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is implicated in an alleged interference with custody offense, is amended to read as follows:

(e)(1) A petitioner shall comply with the requirements of ~~§ 9-27-312~~ §§ 9-35-207, 9-35-307, and 9-35-408 ~~with regard to the giving of a~~ for providing notice ~~and~~ of the filing of a petition and the setting of a hearing on a petition.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 5-26-503(e)(1), concerning requirements for providing notice when the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is implicated in an alleged interference with custody offense, is amended to read as follows:

(e)(1) The department shall comply with the requirements of ~~§ 9-27-312~~ §§ 9-35-207, 9-35-307, and 9-35-408 ~~with regard to the giving of a~~ for providing notice ~~and~~ of the filing of a petition and the setting of a hearing on a petition filed under subsection (d) of this section.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 5-27-220(a), concerning contributing to the delinquency of a minor or causing a minor to be considered a juvenile in need of

supervision under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor if the person willfully causes, aids, or encourages any minor to do or perform any act which, if done or performed, would make the minor a delinquent juvenile or juvenile in need of supervision within the meaning of this section and the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 5-64-710(c)(2), concerning dispositions available when a minor whose driving privileges may be revoked is a juvenile adjudicated delinquent under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(2) A juvenile adjudicated delinquent is subject to a juvenile disposition ~~provided in~~ under ~~§ 9-27-330~~ § 9-35-423.

SECTION 9. Arkansas Code § 5-64-710(e), concerning denial of driving privileges to a minor when the minor is adjudicated delinquent under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq. for a drug offense or driving or boating while intoxicated, is amended to read as follows:

(e) If a juvenile is found delinquent for any offense described in subsection (a) or subsection (b) of this section, the circuit court may order any juvenile disposition available under ~~§ 9-27-330~~ § 9-35-423.

SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 5-65-402(a)(1)(C), concerning when an arresting officer may issue a juvenile a citation to appear for a juvenile intake with a juvenile intake officer for purchase or possession of intoxicating beer, liquor, or wine or for attempting to purchase intoxicating beer, liquor, or wine with a fraudulent or altered personal identification document, is amended to read as follows:

(C)(i) If a juvenile, as defined in the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., is arrested for violating § 3-3-203(a) or § 5-27-503(a)(3), the arresting officer shall issue the juvenile a citation to appear for a juvenile intake with a juvenile intake officer.

(ii) The arresting officer shall forward a copy of the citation and the license, permit, or other evidence of the driving privilege to the juvenile office before the scheduled juvenile intake.

(iii) Juveniles subject to the jurisdiction of the circuit court under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., shall not be subject to this section, except as provided in this subdivision (a)(1).

SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 5-65-402(h), concerning when the surrender of a person's license, permit, or other evidence of driving privilege to an arresting law enforcement officer does not apply to a juvenile, is amended to read as follows:

(h) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, this section shall not

apply to juveniles subject to the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 6-10-134(f), concerning when records of the arrest of, detention of, investigation of, or proceedings involving a minor are subject to disclosure, is amended to read as follows:

(f) Records of the arrest of, the detention of, investigation of, or proceedings involving a minor are confidential and are not subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq., unless:

(1) Authorized by a written order of the juvenile division of circuit court;

(2) The arrest or the proceedings result in the minor being formally charged in the criminal division of circuit court for a felony; or

(3) As allowed under this section or ~~§ 9-27-320~~ § 9-35-414.

SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 6-18-222(a)(6)(A)(i), concerning when a family in need of services petition may be filed or a diversion agreement entered regarding a student with unexcused absences, is amended to read as follows:

(6)(A)(i) Upon notification by the school district or the adult education program to the prosecuting authority, the prosecuting authority shall file in circuit court a family in need of services petition ~~pursuant to~~ under ~~§ 9-27-310~~ § 9-35-205 or enter into a diversion agreement with the student ~~pursuant to~~ under ~~§ 9-27-323~~ § 9-35-209.

SECTION 14. Arkansas Code § 6-20-104(a)(2), concerning when a juvenile detention facility shall provide educational and other rehabilitative services to juveniles who are adjudicated delinquent, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Under ~~§ 9-27-330(a)(11)~~ § 9-35-423(a)(11), such juvenile detention facility ~~must~~ shall provide educational and other rehabilitative services to ~~adjudicated delinquents~~ juveniles who are adjudicated delinquent and who may be ordered by the court to remain in the juvenile detention facility for an indeterminate period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

SECTION 15. Arkansas Code § 9-9-202(2), concerning the definition of "court" under the Revised Uniform Adoption Act, § 9-9-201 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(2) “Court” means all probate divisions of circuit courts in this state, or the juvenile divisions of circuit courts when exercising jurisdiction over adoption cases pursuant to ~~§§ 9-27-301 — 9-27-339, 9-27-340 [repealed], and 9-27-341 — 9-27-345~~ the Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., and, when the context requires, means the court of any other state empowered to grant petitions for adoption;

SECTION 16. Arkansas Code § 9-9-205(a)(3)(A), concerning jurisdiction of an adoption when the juvenile is the subject matter of an open case under the

Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(3)(A) If the juvenile is the subject matter of an open case filed under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., the adoption petition shall be filed in that case.

SECTION 17. Arkansas Code § 9-9-207(a), concerning when consent is not required for adoption of a minor, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Consent to adoption is not required of:

(1) a parent who has deserted a child without affording means of identification or who has abandoned a child;

(2) a parent of a child in the custody of another, if the parent for a period of at least one (1) year has failed significantly without justifiable cause (i) to communicate with the child or (ii) to provide for the care and support of the child as required by law or judicial decree;

(3) the father of a minor if the father's consent is not required by § 9-9-206(a)(2);

(4) a parent who has relinquished his or her right to consent under § 9-9-220;

(5) a parent whose parental rights have been terminated by order of court under § 9-9-220 or ~~§ 9-27-341~~ § 9-35-325;

(6) a parent judicially declared incompetent or mentally defective if the court dispenses with the parent's consent;

(7) any parent of the individual to be adopted, if the individual is an adult;

(8) any legal guardian or lawful custodian of the individual to be adopted, other than a parent, who has failed to respond in writing to a request for consent for a period of sixty (60) days or who, after examination of his or her written reasons for withholding consent, is found by the court to be withholding his or her consent unreasonably;

(9) the spouse of the individual to be adopted, if the failure of the spouse to consent to the adoption is excused by the court by reason of prolonged unexplained absence, unavailability, incapacity, or circumstances constituting an unreasonable withholding of consent;

(10) a putative father of a minor who signed an acknowledgement of paternity but who failed to establish a significant custodial, personal, or financial relationship with the juvenile prior to the time the petition for adoption is filed; or

(11) a putative father of a minor who is listed on the Putative Father Registry but who failed to establish a significant custodial, personal, or financial relationship with the juvenile prior to the time the petition for adoption is filed.

SECTION 18. Arkansas Code § 9-9-212(f), concerning notification of adoption proceedings for a minor when one (1) parent of a child is deceased and the parent-child relationship was not eliminated at the time of the parent's death, is amended to read as follows:

(f) When one (1) parent of a child or children is deceased, and the parent-child relationship has not been eliminated at the time of death, and adoption proceedings are instituted subsequent to such decease, the parents of the deceased parent shall be notified under the procedures prescribed in this subchapter of such adoption proceedings, except when the surviving parent-child relationship has been terminated pursuant to ~~§ 9-27-341~~ § 9-35-325.

SECTION 19. Arkansas Code § 9-9-217(a)(1)(B), concerning when a member of the General Assembly may attend an adoption hearing held under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(B)(i) A member of the General Assembly may attend an adoption hearing related to a juvenile case that is held under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., unless the court excludes the member of the General Assembly based on the:

(a) Best interest of the child; or

(b) Court's authority under the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure or the Arkansas Rules of Evidence.

SECTION 20. Arkansas Code § 9-9-217(a)(1)(C)(i)(a), concerning when a Child Welfare Ombudsman may attend an adoption hearing held under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(C)(i)(a) A Child Welfare Ombudsman may attend an adoption hearing related to a juvenile case under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 21. Arkansas Code § 9-9-217(a)(2)(B)(i), concerning the confidentiality of adoption hearings and records when an adoption is heard or filed under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(B)(i) When an adoption is filed or heard pursuant to the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., any portion of the court file relating to the adoption shall be maintained separately from the file of other pending juvenile matters concerning the juvenile who is the subject of the adoption or the family of the juvenile.

SECTION 22. Arkansas Code § 9-9-407(d), concerning when a family is eligible for an adoption subsidy for a child in foster care, is amended to read as follows:

(d) State-funded subsidies may be available, as determined by the department, for an adult who:

(1) Is in foster care at eighteen (18) years of age;

(2) Participates in an extended foster care program under ~~§ 9-27-306 or § 9-28-114~~ § 9-35-302; and

(3) Is not Title IV-E eligible.

SECTION 23. Arkansas Code § 9-10-102(h)(1), concerning jurisdiction over a paternity hearing when an interested person is a parent or putative father as defined under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(h)(1) If the child or children at issue are subjects of an open dependency-neglect action filed under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., the determination or disestablishment of paternity shall be addressed in that suit with a determination to be made as to whether the interested person is a parent or a putative father as defined in ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102.

SECTION 24. Arkansas Code § 9-13-103(i), concerning when provisions of law related to grandparent visitation are not applicable to a certain child, is amended to read as follows:

(i) This section does not apply to dependency-neglect proceedings conducted under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 25. Arkansas Code § 9-27-401(b)(5)(A)(i), concerning appointed counsel for a parent in a dependency-neglect proceeding, is amended to read as follows:

(5)(A)(i) In the transition to a state-funded system of dependency-neglect representation, it is the intent of the General Assembly to provide an appropriate and adequate level of representation to all children in dependency-neglect proceedings as required under federal and state law ~~pursuant to~~ under ~~§ 9-27-316~~ § 9-35-208.

SECTION 26. Arkansas Code § 9-27-505(g)(2), concerning when alternative dispositions apply to a juvenile who is adjudicated delinquent when the offense would not have subjected him or her to extended juvenile jurisdiction adjudication, is amended to read as follows:

(2) If the juvenile is adjudicated delinquent for an offense that would not have subjected him or her to extended juvenile jurisdiction, the court shall enter any of the dispositions available under ~~§ 9-27-330~~ § 9-35-423.

SECTION 27. Arkansas Code § 9-27-506 is amended to read as follows:

9-27-506. Extended juvenile jurisdiction disposition hearing.

If a juvenile is found delinquent as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender, the circuit court shall enter the following dispositions:

(1) Order any of the juvenile dispositions authorized by ~~§ 9-27-330~~ § 9-35-423; and

(2) Suspend the imposition of an adult sentence pending court review.

SECTION 28. Arkansas Code § 9-27-507(b), concerning when a circuit court may amend a juvenile disposition or impose an adult sentence in an extended juvenile jurisdiction review hearing, is amended to read as follows:

(b) If the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the juvenile has violated a juvenile disposition order, has been found delinquent or guilty of committing a new offense, or is not amenable to rehabilitation in the juvenile system, the court may:

(1) Amend or add any juvenile disposition authorized by ~~§ 9-27-330~~ § 9-35-423; or

(2)(A)(i) Exercise its discretion to impose the full range of adult sentencing available in the criminal division of circuit court, including probation, suspended imposition of sentence, and imprisonment.

(ii) However, a sentence of imprisonment shall not exceed forty (40) years except for juveniles adjudicated for capital murder, § 5-10-101, and murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102, who may be sentenced for any term, up to and including life.

(B) Statutory provisions prohibiting or limiting probation or suspended imposition of sentence, parole, or post-release transfer for offenses when committed by an adult shall not apply to juveniles sentenced as extended juvenile jurisdiction offenders.

(C) A juvenile shall receive credit for time served in a juvenile detention facility or any juvenile facility.

(D)(i) A court may not order an absolute release of an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender who has been adjudicated delinquent for capital murder, § 5-10-101, or murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102.

(ii) If release is ordered, the court shall impose a period of probation for not less than three (3) years.

SECTION 29. Arkansas Code § 9-27-602(d)(2), concerning when a court determines that a parent, guardian, or custodian of a juvenile can pay for court-ordered mental health services, is amended to read as follows:

(2) If the court determines an ability to pay, the court shall enter such an order for payment ~~pursuant to~~ under ~~§ 9-27-333(e)~~ § 9-35-213(e).

SECTION 30. Arkansas Code § 9-27-702 is amended to read as follows:

9-27-702. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter, "parent" means the same as under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102, and "parent" also includes a guardian as defined under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102 and a custodian as defined under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102.

SECTION 31. Arkansas Code § 9-27-803(e)(1) and (2), concerning services that may be ordered by a family treatment specialty court supplemental to services provided by the Department of Human Services, are amended to read as follows:

(e)(1) Services ordered by a family treatment specialty court program

shall be supplemental to the services provided by the Department of Human Services, including without limitation:

(A) Cash assistance and family services authorized under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102; and

(B) Other dispositions authorized under ~~§ 9-27-334~~ § 9-35-320.

(2) A family treatment specialty court ~~must~~ shall comply with ~~§ 9-27-335~~ § 9-35-321 before ordering services.

SECTION 32. Arkansas Code § 9-27-805(b), concerning eligibility for participation in a family treatment specialty court when the person is a parent, guardian, custodian, or other caretaker of a juvenile found to be dependent or dependent-neglected, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A person is eligible for participation in a family treatment specialty court program if:

(1) The person is a parent, guardian, custodian, or other caretaker of a juvenile found by the court to be dependent or dependent-neglected; and

(2) The person agrees to comply with the policies and procedures developed by the family treatment specialty court program, as well as the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 33. Arkansas Code § 9-28-111 is amended to read as follows:

9-28-111. Case plans — Definition.

(a) The Department of Human Services shall be responsible for developing case plans in all dependency-neglect cases and in family-in-need-of-services cases when custody is transferred to the department under ~~§ 9-27-328~~ § 9-35-318. The case plan shall be:

(1)(A) Developed in consultation with the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian and, if appropriate, the juvenile, the juvenile's foster parents, the court-appointed special advocate, the juvenile's attorney ad litem, and all parties' attorneys.

(B) If the parents are unwilling or unable to participate in the development of the case plan, the department shall document the parents' unwillingness or inability to participate and provide a copy of the written documentation to the parent, if available. The department shall then prepare a case plan conforming as nearly as possible with the requirements set forth in this section.

(C) A parent's incarceration, by itself, does not make a parent unavailable to participate in the development of a case plan.

(D)(i) The parent, guardian, or custodian and juvenile may choose additional members to be part of the case planning team.

(ii) The department may reject a selected individual for good cause;

(2)(A) Developed and filed with the court no later than thirty (30) days after the date the petition was filed or the juvenile was first placed out of home,

whichever is sooner.

(B) If the department does not have sufficient information before the adjudication hearing to complete all of the case plan, the department shall complete those parts for which information is available.

(C) All parts of the case plan shall be completed and filed with the court thirty (30) days after the adjudication hearing;

(3) Signed by and distributed to all parties and distributed to the juvenile's attorney ad litem, court-appointed special advocate, and foster parents, if available; and

(4)(A) Subject to modification based on changing circumstances.

(B) All parties to the case plan shall be notified of any substantive change to the case plan.

(C) A substantive change to a case plan includes without limitation a change in the placement of the juvenile, the family time rights of any party, or the goal of the case plan.

(b) When a juvenile is receiving services in the home of the parent, guardian, or custodian, the case plan shall include the requirements listed in subsection (a) of this section and:

(1) A description of the problems being addressed;

(2) A description of the services to be provided to the family and juvenile specifically addressing the identified problems and time frames for providing services;

(3) A description of any reasonable accommodations made to parents in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., to assure to all the parents meaningful access to reunification and family preservation services;

(4) The name of an individual who the petitioner, parent, guardian, or custodian knows is claiming to be or who is named as the father or possible father of the juvenile and whose paternity of the juvenile has not been judicially determined; and

(5) A description of how the health and safety of the juvenile will be protected.

(c) When a juvenile is receiving services in an out-of-home placement, the case plan must include the requirements in subsections (a) and (b) of this section and:

(1)(A) A description of the permanency goal.

(B) If adoption is not the goal at the permanency planning and fifteenth-month hearing, the department shall document in the case plan a compelling reason why filing a petition to terminate parental rights is not in the best interest of the juvenile;

(2) The specific reasons for the placement of the juvenile outside the home, including a description of the problems or conditions in the home of the parent, guardian, or custodian that required removal of the juvenile and the remediation of which will determine the return of the juvenile to the home;

(3) A description of the type of out-of-home placement selected for the juvenile, including a discussion of the appropriateness of the placement;

(4) A plan for addressing the needs of the juvenile while in the placement, with emphasis on the health, safety, and well-being of the juvenile, including a discussion of the services provided over the previous six (6) months;

(5)(A) The specific actions to be taken by the parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile to eliminate or correct the identified problems or conditions and the time period during which the specific actions are to be taken.

(B) The plan may include any person or agency who agrees to be responsible for the provision of social and other family services to the juvenile or the parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile;

(6) The family time rights and obligations of the parent, guardian, or custodian and the state agency during the time period the juvenile is in the out-of-home placement;

(7) The social and other family services to be provided to the parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile, and foster parent, if any, during the time period the juvenile is in placement and a timetable for providing the services, the purposes of which are to promote a continuous and stable living environment for the juvenile, promote family autonomy, strengthen family life when possible, and promote the reunification of the juvenile with the parent, guardian, or custodian;

(8) To the extent available and accessible, the health and education records of the juvenile, under 42 U.S.C. § 675(1);

(9) A description of the financial support obligation to the juvenile, including health insurance of the parent, parents, or guardian of the juvenile;

(10)(A) A description of the location of siblings;

(B) Documentation of the efforts made to place siblings removed from their home in the same placement, unless the department documents that a joint placement would be contrary to the safety or well-being of any of the siblings; and

(C) Documentation of the efforts made to provide for frequent family time or other ongoing interaction between the siblings in the case of siblings removed from their home who are not placed together, unless the department documents that frequent family time or other ongoing interaction would be contrary to the safety or well-being of any of the siblings;

(11) When appropriate for a juvenile sixteen (16) years of age and over, the case plan shall include a written description of the programs and services that will help the juvenile prepare for the transition from foster care to independent living;

(12) A written notice to the parent or parents that failure of the parent or parents to substantially comply with the case plan may result in the termination of parental rights and that a material failure to substantially comply may result in the filing of a petition for termination of parental rights sooner than the compliance periods stated in the case plan;

(13)(A) A plan for ensuring the placement of the child in foster care

that takes into account the appropriateness of the current educational setting and the proximity of the school in which the child is enrolled at the time of placement, as required under § 9-27-103 [repealed]; and

(B)(i) An assurance that the department has coordinated with appropriate local educational agencies to ensure that the child remains at the school where the child is enrolled at the time of placement; or

(ii) If remaining at the school is not in the best interest of the child, assurances by the department and the local educational agencies to provide immediate and appropriate enrollment in a new school, with all of the educational records of the child provided to the new school; and

(C)(i) An assurance that each child who has attained the minimum age for compulsory school attendance is a full-time elementary or secondary school student or has completed secondary school.

(ii) For purposes of this section, "elementary or secondary school student" means, with respect to a child, that the child is:

(a) Enrolled, or in the process of enrolling, in a public elementary or secondary school;

(b) Home schooled under § 6-15-501 et seq.;

(c) Enrolled in a private elementary or secondary school; or

(d) Incapable of attending school on a full-time basis due to the medical condition of the child, and the medical condition incapability is supported by regularly updated information in the case plan;

(14) The department, in conjunction with other representatives of the juvenile, shall provide the juvenile with assistance and support in developing a transition plan that is personalized at the direction of the juvenile and includes specific options on housing, health insurance, educational opportunities, local opportunities for mentors and continuing support services, and workforce supports and employment services~~,~~ and is as detailed as the juvenile may elect as required under ~~§ 9-27-363~~ § 9-35-334; and

(15) When a juvenile is fourteen (14) years of age or older, the juvenile shall be provided a:

(A) Separate document that describes:

(i) The rights of the juvenile concerning education, health, visitation, and court participation;

(ii) The right to obtain a copy of a credit report each year the juvenile remains in the custody of the department at no cost to the juvenile; and

(iii) The right of the juvenile to receive assistance in interpreting and resolving inaccuracies in the credit report; and

(B) A signed acknowledgement by the juvenile that:

(i) The juvenile has been provided with a copy of the document required under subdivision (c)(15)(A) of this section; and

(ii) The department explained the rights to the juvenile in a developmentally appropriate and age-appropriate way.

(d) The case plan is subject to court review and approval.

(e) The participation of a parent, guardian, or custodian in the development of a case plan or the acceptance of a case plan shall not constitute an admission of dependency-neglect.

SECTION 34. Arkansas Code § 9-28-120(c)(1), concerning public disclosure of information on child maltreatment and child deaths when the child was in an out-of-home placement as defined under § 9-27-303(40), is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) Upon request, the department shall release the following information when a child dies if that child was in an out-of-home placement as defined under ~~§ 9-27-303(40)~~ § 9-35-102(41):

(A) Age, race, and gender of the child;

(B) Date of the child's death;

(C) Preliminary cause of death;

(D) County and type of placement of the child at the time of the incident; and

(E) Action by the department.

SECTION 35. Arkansas Code § 9-28-203(b), concerning services provided by the Division of Youth Services, is amended to read as follows:

(b) In addition to other duties enumerated in this subchapter, the Division of Youth Services shall provide services as follows:

(1) The Civilian Student Training Program shall provide services to youths that shall consist of, but not be limited to, school reintegration, counseling, tutoring, job placement counseling, corrective behavior skill counseling, and training;

(2)(A) Case management services shall include, but not be limited to:

(i) Making placement recommendations to court authorities; and

(ii) Arrangement, coordination, and monitoring of services for a juvenile.

(B) These services may be acquired by agreement with community providers, other agencies, or individuals as necessary;

(3)(A) Client-specific services shall consist of, but not be limited to:

(i) Independent living, tracker, or proctor services;

(ii) Family or individual therapy; and

(iii) Individualized treatment or supportive care services.

(B) These services may be acquired by agreement with comprehensive community-based providers capable of delivering the required continuum of services;

(4)(A) Reduction-in-commitment services shall include services to address public safety, supervision, and rehabilitative needs of youths who may otherwise be detained, incarcerated, or committed to the Division of Youth Services.

(B) Reduction-in-commitment services may include without limitation:

(i) Electronic monitoring;

(ii) Family or individual therapy;

(iii) Day treatment services;

(iv) Residential or outpatient mental health counseling, sex offender counseling, or substance abuse counseling;

(v) Parenting classes for youths or custodians;

(vi) Respite care; and

(vii) Emergency shelter services.

(C) These services may be acquired by agreement with comprehensive community-based providers capable of delivering the required continuum of services.

(D) [Repealed.];

(5)(A) Serious offender programs for youths charged with violent offenses shall consist of appropriate residential treatment programs at any of the youth services centers or facilities.

(B) Serious offender programs or community-based programs may be acquired by agreements with entities or agencies deemed appropriate and capable of providing such services;

(6) Less restrictive community-based programs selected by the Director of the Division of Youth Services for youths not deemed at risk of performing violent offenses;

(7)(A) Observation and assessment services shall consist of, but not be limited to, those activities necessary to ensure appropriate recommendations for intervention, services, and placement of low-risk and medium-risk juveniles.

(B) Observation and assessment services may be acquired by agreements with community providers or other agencies or individuals deemed to have the appropriate level of expertise to perform observation and assessment or diagnosis and evaluation.

(C)(i) The Division of Youth Services shall use validated risk assessments for all juveniles committed to the Division of Youth Services.

(ii) The Division of Youth Services shall provide individualized treatment and placement decisions, with measureable goals and regular reassessments, based on the results of an initial assessment and the risk level assigned to the juvenile by the validated risk assessment used in the court's commitment decision under ~~§ 9-27-330(a)(1)(B)~~ § 9-35-423(a)(1)(B);

(8)(A) Residential observation and assessment services shall consist of, but not be limited to, those activities necessary to ensure appropriate recommendations for intervention, services, and placement of high-risk juveniles.

(B) Residential observation and assessment services may be performed by or at appropriate state-operated facilities or by agreement with appropriate agencies or individuals deemed to have the appropriate level of expertise to perform residential observation and assessment or diagnosis and evaluation.

(C)(i) The Division of Youth Services shall use validated risk

assessments for all juveniles committed to the Division of Youth Services.

(ii) The Division of Youth Services shall provide individualized treatment and placement decisions, with measurable goals and regular reassessments, based on the results of an initial assessment and the risk level assigned to the juvenile by the validated risk assessment used in the court's commitment decision under ~~9-27-330(a)(1)(B)~~ § 9-35-423(a)(1)(B);

(9)(A)(i) Community-based alternative basic services shall consist of, but not be limited to, prevention, intervention, casework, treatment, counseling, observation and assessment, case management, and residential services.

(ii) Community-based alternative basic services shall be provided through a treatment model that is evidence-based, developmentally appropriate, family-centered, strength-based, and trauma-informed.

(iii) Primary goals for community-based alternative basic services shall be the prevention of youths from entering the juvenile justice system and the provision of professional, community-based, least-cost services to youths.

(B) These services may be acquired by agreements with comprehensive community-based providers capable of delivering the required continuum of services;

(10)(A) Expanded services may consist of, but not be limited to:

(i) Expansion of existing programs;

(ii) Specific programs for alcohol, drug, or sex offenders;

(iii) Special therapeutic treatment programs or client-specific services in which a consistent population has been defined as in need of multidiscipline care and services;

(iv) Expansion of proven, effective, early intervention and prevention program activities; and

(v) Restoration of previously proven effective interventions that prevent incarceration.

(B) Utilization of funds appropriated for expanded services shall be as directed by the director; and

(11) The Division of Youth Services shall provide monitoring and technical assistance to review the quality and consistency of reforms to the juvenile justice system.

SECTION 36. Arkansas Code § 9-28-208(b)(1), concerning entry of an order of detention and commitment to a youth services center, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) Upon entry of an order of detention and commitment to a youth services center ~~pursuant to~~ under ~~§ 9-27-330~~ § 9-35-423 or § 9-27-509, a court shall transmit to the Division of Youth Services:

(A) A copy of the commitment order;

(B) A copy of the validated risk assessment instrument; and

(C) Records or information pertaining to the juvenile compiled by the intake officer or juvenile probation officer that shall include:

(i) Information on the juvenile's background, history, behavioral tendencies, and family status;

(ii) The reasons for the juvenile's commitment;

(iii) The name of the school in which the juvenile is currently or was last enrolled;

(iv) The juvenile's offense history;

(v) The juvenile's placement history;

(vi) A copy of all psychological or psychiatric evaluations or examinations performed on the juvenile admitted into evidence or ordered by the court while under the jurisdiction of the court or the supervision of the court staff;

(vii) A comprehensive list of all current medications taken by the juvenile; and

(viii) A comprehensive list of all medical treatment currently being provided to the juvenile.

SECTION 37. Arkansas Code § 9-28-402(6), concerning the definition of "child" under the Child Welfare Agency Licensing Act, § 9-28-401 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(6) "Child" means a person who is:

(A) From birth to eighteen (18) years of age; or

(B) Adjudicated dependent-neglected, dependent, or a member of a family in need of services before eighteen (18) years of age and for whom the juvenile division of a circuit court retains jurisdiction under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.;

SECTION 38. Arkansas Code § 9-28-407(h)(1), concerning materials compiled or received by a licensee or state agency in placing a child under the Child Welfare Agency Licensing Act, § 9-28-401 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(h)(1) Reports, correspondence, memoranda, case histories, or other materials, including protected health information, compiled or received by a licensee or a state agency engaged in placing a child, including both foster care and protective services records, shall be confidential and shall not be released or otherwise made available except to the extent permitted by federal law and only:

(A) To the Director of the Child Welfare Agency Review Board as required by rule;

(B) For adoptive placements as provided by the Revised Uniform Adoption Act, § 9-9-201 et seq.;

(C) To multidisciplinary teams under § 12-18-106(a);

(D)(i) To the child's parent, guardian, or custodian.

(ii) However, the licensee or state agency may redact information from the record such as the name or address of foster parents or providers when it is in the best interest of the child.

(iii) The licensee or state agency may redact counseling records, psychological or psychiatric evaluations, examinations, or records, drug

screens or drug evaluations, or similar information concerning a parent if the other parent is requesting a copy of a record;

(E) To the child;

(F)(i) To healthcare providers to assist in the care and treatment of the child at the discretion of the licensee or state agency and if deemed to be in the best interest of the child.

(ii) "Healthcare providers" includes doctors, nurses, emergency medical technicians, counselors, therapists, mental health professionals, and dentists;

(G) To school personnel and daycare centers caring for the child at the discretion of the licensee or state agency and if deemed to be in the best interest of the child;

(H)(i) To foster parents, the foster care record for children in foster care currently placed in their home.

(ii) However, information about the parents or guardians and any siblings not in the foster home shall not be redisclosed by a foster parent and shall only be used to assist the foster parent in the care of the child;

(I)(i) To the board.

(ii) However, at any board meeting no information that identifies by name or address any protective services recipient or foster care child shall be orally disclosed or released in written form to the general public;

(J) To the Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education;

(K) For any audit or similar activity conducted in connection with the administration of any such plan or program by any governmental agency that is authorized by law to conduct the audit or activity;

(L) Upon presentation of an order of appointment, to a court-appointed special advocate;

(M) To the attorney ad litem for the child;

(N) For law enforcement or the prosecuting attorney upon request;

(O) To circuit courts, as provided for in the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.;

(P) In a criminal or civil proceeding conducted in connection with the administration of any such plan or program;

(Q) For purposes directly connected with the administration of any of the state plans as outlined at 42 U.S.C. § 671(a)(8), as in effect January 1, 2001;

(R) For the administration of any other federal or federally assisted program that provides assistance, in cash or in kind, or services, directly to individuals on the basis of need;

(S)(i) To individual federal and state representatives and senators in their official capacity and their staff members with no redisclosure of information.

(ii) No disclosure shall be made to any committee or legislative body of any information that identifies by name or address any recipient of services;

(T) To a grand jury or court upon a finding that information in the record is necessary for the determination of an issue before the court or grand jury;

(U) To a person, provider, or government entity identified by the licensee or the state agency as having services needed by the child or his or her family;

(V) To volunteers authorized by the licensee or the state agency to provide support or services to the child or his or her family at the discretion of the licensee or the state agency and only to the extent information is needed to provide the support or services;

(W)(i) To a person, agency, or organization engaged in a bona fide research or evaluation project that is determined by the Division of Children and Family Services to have value for the evaluation or development of policies and programs within the Division of Children and Family Services.

(ii) Any confidential information provided by the department for a research or evaluation project under this subdivision (h)(1)(W) shall not be redisclosed or published;

(X) To a child fatality review panel as authorized by the department;

(Y) To the Child Welfare Ombudsman; or

(Z)(i) To a currently or previously licensed foster parent.

(ii) A foster parent shall only receive records:

(a) Concerning a child who was previously placed in the home of the foster parent and that are relevant to the period of time in which the child was placed in the home of the foster parent; and

(b) For which the foster parent has a legitimate need as determined by the licensee or department.

(2) Foster home and adoptive home records are confidential and shall not be released except:

(A) To the foster parents or adoptive parents;

(B) For purposes of review or audit, by the appropriate federal or state agency;

(C) Upon allegations of child maltreatment in the foster home or adoptive home, to the investigating agency;

(D) To the board;

(E) To the Division of Children and Family Services and the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education, including child welfare agency licensing specialists;

(F) To law enforcement or the prosecuting attorney upon request;

(G) To a grand jury or court upon a finding that information in

the record is necessary for the determination of an issue before the court or grand jury;

(H)(i) To individual federal and state representatives and senators in their official capacity and their staff members with no redisclosure of information.

(ii) No disclosure shall be made to any committee or legislative body of any information that identifies by name or address any recipient of services;

(I) To the attorney ad litem and court-appointed special advocate, the home studies on the potential adoptive families selected by the department to adopt the juvenile or as ordered by the court; or

(J)(i) To a person, agency, or organization engaged in a bona fide research or evaluation project that is determined by the Division of Children and Family Services to have value for the evaluation or development of policies and programs within the Division of Children and Family Services.

(ii) Any confidential information provided by the department for a research or evaluation project under this subdivision (h)(2)(J) shall not be redisclosed or published.

(3)(A) Any person or agency to whom disclosure is made shall not disclose to any other person reports or other information obtained pursuant to this subsection.

(B) Any person disclosing information in violation of this subsection shall be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor.

(C) Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to prevent subsequent disclosure by the child or his or her parent or guardian.

(D) Any data, records, reports, or documents released under this section to a law enforcement agency, the prosecuting attorney, or a court by the department are confidential and shall be sealed and not redisclosed without a protective order to ensure that items of evidence for which there is a reasonable expectation of privacy are not distributed to persons or institutions without a legitimate interest in the evidence.

SECTION 39. Arkansas Code § 9-32-203(g)(1), concerning when the Department of Human Services shall report a child death, is amended to read as follows:

(g)(1) The department shall report when a child dies if that child was in an out-of-home placement as defined under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102.

SECTION 40. Arkansas Code § 9-32-204(f)(1), concerning when the Department of Human Services shall report a child death, is amended to read as follows:

(f)(1) The department shall report when a child dies if that child was in an out-of-home placement as defined under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102.

SECTION 41. Arkansas Code § 9-34-202(b)(3)(A), concerning delivery of a child who is thirty (30) days of age or younger to a medical provider, law enforcement agency, fire department, or in a newborn safety device and when the identity of that child or surrendering parent is released, is amended to read as follows:

(3)(A) If the identity of a parent or child is released or made known to the Department of Human Services in violation of subdivision (b)(2) of this section, the case shall proceed as a dependency-neglect action as defined under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102, but with the same protections from liability as if an anonymous surrender was made under this section.

SECTION 42. Arkansas Code § 9-34-202(b)(3)(B)(i), concerning when a parent shall not be held criminally liable when surrendering a child who is thirty (30) days of age or younger to a medical provider, law enforcement agency, fire department, or in a newborn safety device, is amended to read as follows:

(B)(i) If the child is relinquished at a location defined in § 9-34-201, the parent shall not be held criminally liable for the relinquishment or have a true finding of maltreatment or abandonment entered against the parent if the parent's identity is known and the Department of Human Services proceeds under ~~§ 9-27-341~~ § 9-35-325.

SECTION 43. Arkansas Code § 9-34-203(b), concerning care of a child and a child's permanency plan when the child is thirty (30) days of age or younger to a medical provider, law enforcement agency, fire department, or in a newborn safety device, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) The law enforcement officer, employee of the fire department, or employee of the hospital shall immediately notify the Division of Children and Family Services, which shall initiate a dependency-neglect petition under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., and shall proceed under ~~§ 9-27-341~~ § 9-35-325.

(2)(A) Within fourteen (14) days of filing a dependency-neglect petition, the Department of Human Services shall publish a notification by warning order in a newspaper having general circulation in the county where the proceeding was filed one (1) time a week for four (4) weeks.

(B) The notification shall contain:

(i) The caption of the pleadings in the dependency-neglect case;

(ii) The location where the child was delivered;

(iii) The date the child was delivered; and

(iv) Notice that a dependency-neglect proceeding has been filed, and that any parent claiming rights to the child must file a responsive pleading or motion and appear before the court hearing the case to defend the parent's claim within thirty (30) days from the date of last publication.

(C) If the identity of a parent or child is released or made known

to the Department of Human Services in violation of § 9-34-202(b)(2), the case shall proceed as a dependency-neglect action as defined under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102, but with the same protections from liability as if an anonymous surrender was made under this section.

(D) If no responsive pleadings are filed by the parent within thirty (30) days from the date of last publication and there are prospective adoptive parents seeking to adopt the child, the Department of Human Services may proceed with the filing of an adoption petition without further notice.

SECTION 44. Arkansas Code Title 9 is amended to add an additional chapter to read as follows:

Chapter 35 — Arkansas Juvenile Code

Subchapter 1 — General Provisions

9-35-101. Title.

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Arkansas Juvenile Code".

9-35-102. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

(1) "Abandoned infant" means a juvenile less than nine (9) months of age whose parent, guardian, or custodian left the child alone or in the possession of another person without identifying information or with an expression of intent by words, actions, or omissions not to return for the infant;

(2)(A) "Abandonment" means:

(i) The failure of the parent to provide reasonable support for a juvenile and to maintain regular contact with a juvenile through statement or contact when the failure is accompanied by an intention on the part of the parent to permit the condition to continue for an indefinite period in the future;

(ii) The failure of a parent to support or maintain regular contact with a child without just cause; or

(iii) An articulated intent to forego parental responsibility.

(B) "Abandonment" does not include a situation in which a child has disrupted his or her adoption and the adoptive parent has exhausted the available resources;

(3)(A) "Abuse" means any of the following acts or omissions by a parent, guardian, custodian, foster parent, person eighteen (18) years of age or older living in the home with a child, whether related or unrelated to the child, or any person who is entrusted with the juvenile's care by a parent, guardian, custodian, or foster parent, including, but not limited to, an agent or employee of a public or private residential home, childcare facility, public or private school, or any person legally responsible for the juvenile's welfare:

(i) Extreme or repeated cruelty to a juvenile;

(ii) Engaging in conduct creating a realistic and serious threat of death, permanent or temporary disfigurement, or impairment of any bodily organ;

(iii) Injury to a juvenile's intellectual, emotional, or psychological development as evidenced by observable and substantial impairment of the juvenile's ability to function within the juvenile's normal range of performance and behavior;

(iv) Any injury that is at variance with the history given;

(v) Any nonaccidental physical injury;

(vi) Any of the following intentional or knowing acts, with physical injury and without justifiable cause:

(a) Throwing, kicking, burning, biting, or cutting a child;

(b) Striking a child with a closed fist;

(c) Shaking a child; or

(d) Striking a child on the face;

(vii) Any of the following intentional or knowing acts, with or without physical injury:

(a) Striking a child six (6) years of age or younger on the face or head;

(b) Shaking a child three (3) years of age or younger;

(c) Interfering with a child's breathing;

(d) Urinating or defecating on a child;

(e) Pinching, biting, or striking a child in the genital area;

(f) Tying a child to a fixed or heavy object or binding or tying a child's limbs together;

(g) Giving a child or permitting a child to consume or inhale a poisonous or noxious substance not prescribed by a physician that has the capacity to interfere with normal physiological functions;

(h) Giving a child or permitting a child to consume or inhale a substance not prescribed by a physician that has the capacity to alter the mood of the child, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) Marijuana;

(2) Alcohol, excluding alcohol given to a child during a recognized and established religious ceremony or service;

(3) Narcotics; or

(4) Over-the-counter drugs if a person purposely administers an overdose to a child or purposely gives an inappropriate over-the-counter drug to a child and the child is detrimentally impacted by the overdose or over-the-counter drug;

(i) Exposing a child to chemicals that have the

capacity to interfere with normal physiological functions, including, but not limited to, chemicals used or generated during the manufacturing of methamphetamine; or

(j) Subjecting a child to Munchausen syndrome by proxy, also known as "factitious illness by proxy", when reported and confirmed by medical personnel or a medical facility; or

(viii) Recruiting, harboring, transporting, or obtaining a child for labor or services, through force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

(B)(i) The list in subdivision (3)(A) of this section is illustrative of unreasonable action and is not intended to be exclusive.

(ii) No unreasonable action shall be construed to permit a finding of abuse without having established the elements of abuse.

(C)(i) "Abuse" shall not include:

(a) Physical discipline of a child when it is reasonable and moderate and is inflicted by a parent or guardian for purposes of restraining or correcting the child; or

(b) Instances when a child suffers transient pain or minor temporary marks as the result of a reasonable restraint if:

(1) The person exercising the restraint is an employee of a residential childcare facility licensed or exempted from licensure under the Child Welfare Agency Licensing Act, § 9-28-401 et seq.;

(2) The person exercising the restraint is acting in his or her official capacity while on duty at a residential childcare facility or the residential childcare facility is exempt from licensure under the Child Welfare Agency Licensing Act, § 9-28-401 et seq.;

(3) The agency has policies and procedures regarding restraints;

(4) Other alternatives do not exist to control the child except for a restraint;

(5) The child is in danger of hurting himself or herself or others;

(6) The person exercising the restraint has been trained in properly restraining children, de-escalation, and conflict resolution techniques; and

(7) The restraint is:

(A) For a reasonable period of time; and

(B) In conformity with training and agency policy and procedures.

(ii) Reasonable and moderate physical discipline inflicted by a parent or guardian shall not include any act that is likely to cause and that does cause injury more serious than transient pain or minor temporary marks.

(iii) The age, size, and condition of the child and the location of the injury and the frequency or recurrence of injuries shall be considered

when determining whether the physical discipline is reasonable or moderate;

(4) "Adjudication hearing" means a hearing to determine whether the allegations in a petition are substantiated by the proof;

(5) "Adult sentence" means punishment authorized by the Arkansas Criminal Code, § 5-1-101 et seq., subject to the limitations in § 9-27-507, for the act or acts for which the juvenile was adjudicated delinquent as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender;

(6) "Aggravated circumstances" means:

(A) A child has been abandoned, chronically abused, subjected to extreme or repeated cruelty, sexually abused, sexually exploited, or a determination has been or is made by a judge that there is little likelihood that services to the family will result in successful reunification;

(B) A child has been removed from the custody of the parent or guardian and placed in foster care or in the custody of another person three (3) or more times in the last fifteen (15) months; or

(C) A child or a sibling has been neglected or abused such that the abuse or neglect could endanger the life of the child;

(7) "Attorney ad litem" means an attorney appointed to represent the best interest of a juvenile;

(8) "Caretaker" means a parent, guardian, custodian, foster parent, significant other of the child's parent, or any person fourteen (14) years of age or older who is entrusted with a child's care by a parent, guardian, custodian, or foster parent, including, but not limited to, an agent or employee of a public or private residential home, childcare facility, public or private school, or any person responsible for a child's welfare;

(9) "Case plan" means a document setting forth the plan for services for a juvenile and his or her family, as described in § 9-27-402;

(10)(A) "Cash assistance" means short-term financial assistance.

(B) "Cash assistance" does not include:

(i) Long-term financial assistance or financial assistance that is the equivalent of the board payment, adoption subsidy, or guardianship subsidy; or

(ii) Financial assistance for car insurance;

(11) "Commitment" means an order of the court that places a juvenile in the physical custody of the Division of Youth Services for placement in a youth services facility;

(12) "Court" means the juvenile division of circuit court;

(13) "Court-appointed special advocate" means a volunteer appointed by the court to advocate for the best interest of juveniles in dependency-neglect proceedings;

(14)(A) "Custodian" means a person other than a parent or legal guardian who stands in loco parentis to the juvenile or a person, agency, or institution to whom a court of competent jurisdiction has given custody of a juvenile by court order.

(B) For the purposes of who has a right to counsel under § 9-35-311, "custodian" includes a person to whom a court of competent jurisdiction has given custody, including a legal guardian;

(15) "Delinquent juvenile" means:

(A) A juvenile ten (10) years of age or older who:

(i) Has committed an act other than a traffic offense or game and fish violation that, if the act had been committed by an adult, would subject the adult to prosecution for a felony, misdemeanor, or violation under the applicable criminal laws of this state;

(ii) Has violated § 5-73-119; or

(iii) Has violated § 5-71-217(d)(2), cyberbullying of a school employee; or

(B) Any juvenile charged with capital murder, § 5-10-101, or murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102, subject to extended juvenile jurisdiction;

(16) "Dependent juvenile" means:

(A)(i) A child whose parent or guardian is incarcerated and the parent or guardian has no appropriate relative or friend willing or able to provide care for the child.

(ii) If the reason for the incarceration is related to the health, safety, or welfare of the child, the child is not a dependent juvenile but may be dependent-neglected;

(B) A child whose parent or guardian is incapacitated, whether temporarily or permanently, so that the parent or guardian cannot provide care for the juvenile and the parent or guardian has no appropriate relative or friend willing or able to provide care for the child;

(C) A child whose custodial parent dies and no appropriate relative or friend is willing or able to provide care for the child;

(D) A child who is an infant relinquished to the custody of the Department of Human Services for the sole purpose of adoption;

(E) A safe haven baby, § 9-34-201 et seq.;

(F) A child who has disrupted his or her adoption, and the adoptive parents have exhausted resources available to them; or

(G)(i) A child who has been a victim of human trafficking.

(ii) If the parent knew or should have known the child was a victim of human trafficking, the child is not a dependent juvenile but may be dependent-neglected;

(17)(A) "Dependent-neglected juvenile" means any juvenile who is at substantial risk of serious harm as a result of the following acts or omissions to the juvenile, a sibling, or another juvenile:

(i) Abandonment;

(ii) Abuse;

(iii) Sexual abuse;

(iv) Sexual exploitation;

(v) Neglect;

(vi) Parental unfitness; or

(vii) Being present in a dwelling or structure during the manufacturing of methamphetamine with the knowledge of his or her parent, guardian, or custodian.

(B) "Dependent-neglected juvenile" includes dependent juveniles;

(18) "Detention" means the temporary care of a juvenile in a physically restricting facility other than a jail or lock-up used for the detention of adults prior to an adjudication hearing for delinquency or pending commitment pursuant to an adjudication of delinquency;

(19) "Detention hearing" means a hearing held to determine whether a juvenile accused or adjudicated of committing a delinquent act or acts should be released or held prior to adjudication or disposition;

(20) "Deviant sexual activity" means any act of sexual gratification involving:

(A) Penetration, however slight, of the anus or mouth of one (1) person by the penis of another person; or

(B) Penetration, however slight, of the labia majora or anus of one (1) person by any body member or foreign instrument manipulated by another person;

(21) "Disposition hearing" means a hearing held following an adjudication hearing to determine what action will be taken in delinquency, family in need of services, or dependency-neglect cases;

(22) "Extended juvenile jurisdiction offender" means a juvenile designated to be subject to juvenile disposition and an adult sentence imposed by the court;

(23) "Family in need of services" means any family whose juvenile evidences behavior that includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(A) Being habitually and without justification absent from school while subject to compulsory school attendance;

(B) Being habitually disobedient to the reasonable and lawful commands of his or her parent, guardian, or custodian; or

(C) Having absented himself or herself from the juvenile's home without sufficient cause, permission, or justification;

(24)(A) "Family services" means relevant services provided to a juvenile or his or her family, including, but not limited to:

(i) Child care;

(ii) Homemaker services;

(iii) Crisis counseling;

(iv) Cash assistance;

(v) Transportation;

(vi) Family therapy;

(vii) Physical, psychiatric, or psychological evaluation;

(viii) Counseling;

(ix) Treatment; or

(x) Post-adoptive services.

(B) Family services are provided in order to:

(i) Prevent a juvenile from being removed from a parent, guardian, or custodian;

(ii) Reunite the juvenile with the parent, guardian, or custodian from whom the juvenile has been removed;

(iii) Implement a permanent plan of adoption or guardianship for a juvenile in a dependency-neglect case; or

(iv) Rehabilitate a juvenile in a delinquency or family in need of services case;

(25) "Fast track" means that reunification services will not be provided or will be terminated before twelve (12) months of services;

(26)(A) "Fictive kin" means a person selected by the Division of Children and Family Services who:

(i) Is not related to a child by blood or marriage; and

(ii) Has a strong, positive, and emotional tie or role in the:

(a) Child's life; or

(b) Child's parent's life if the child is an infant.

(B) The Director of the Division of Children and Family Services or his or her designee shall approve a fictive kin for an infant;

(27)(A) "Forcible compulsion" means physical force, intimidation, or a threat, express or implied, of death, physical injury to, rape, sexual abuse, or kidnapping of any person.

(B) If the act was committed against the will of the juvenile, then forcible compulsion has been used.

(C) The age, developmental stage, and stature of the victim and the relationship of the victim to the assailant, as well as the threat of deprivation of affection, rights, and privileges from the victim by the assailant shall be considered in weighing the sufficiency of the evidence to prove compulsion;

(28)(A) "Grooming" means to knowingly disseminate to a child thirteen (13) years of age or younger with or without consideration a visual or print medium depicting sexually explicit content with the purpose to entice, induce, or groom the child to engage in the following with a person:

(i) Sexual intercourse;

(ii) Sexually explicit conduct; or

(iii) Deviant sexual activity.

(B) As used in subdivision (28)(A) of this section, "disseminate" means to allow to view, expose, furnish, present, sell, or otherwise distribute, including on an electronic device or virtual platform, and is not limited to an act that takes place in the physical presence of a child.

(C) It is an affirmative defense to an allegation of grooming that the actor is not more than three (3) years older than the victim;

(29) “Guardian” means any person, agency, or institution, as defined by § 28-65-101 et seq., whom a court of competent jurisdiction has so appointed;

(30)(A) “Home study” means a written report that is obtained after an investigation of a home by the department or other appropriate persons or agencies and that shall conform to rules established by the department.

(B)(i) An in-state home study, excluding the results of a criminal records check, shall be completed and presented to the requesting court within thirty (30) working days of the receipt of the request for the home study.

(ii) The results of the criminal records check shall be provided to the court as soon as they are received.

(iii) The circuit clerk of the county court shall:

(a) Keep a record of the national fingerprint-based criminal background checks performed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the court;

(b) Permit only the court and the employees of the clerk's office with an official reason to view the information in the national fingerprint-based criminal background check;

(c) Not permit anyone to obtain a copy of the national fingerprint-based criminal background check; and

(d) Permit a person specifically ordered by the court to view the information in the national fingerprint-based criminal background check.

(iv)(a) The department shall share the information obtained from the criminal records check and the national fingerprint-based criminal background checks only with employees of the department who have an official business reason to see the information.

(b) Unless specifically ordered to do so by the court, the department shall not share the information obtained from the criminal records check and the national fingerprint-based criminal background checks with persons not employed by the department.

(C)(i) The department may obtain a criminal background check on any person in the household sixteen (16) years of age and older, including a fingerprint-based check of national crime information databases.

(ii) Upon request, local law enforcement shall provide the department with criminal background information on any person in the household sixteen (16) years of age and older;

(31) “Imminent harm” means an act of harm that is a danger:

(A) To the physical, mental, or emotional health of a juvenile;

(B) That is constrained by time; and

(C) That may only be prevented by immediate intervention by a court;

(32) “Indecent exposure” means the exposure by a person of the person's sexual organs for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of the person or any other person, under circumstances in which the person knows the

conduct is likely to cause affront or alarm;

(33) “Independence” means a permanency planning hearing disposition known as “Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA)” for the juvenile who will not be reunited with his or her family and because another permanent plan is not in the juvenile's best interest;

(34) “Juvenile” means an individual who is:

(A) From birth to eighteen (18) years of age, whether married or single; or

(B) Adjudicated delinquent, a juvenile member of a family in need of services, or dependent or dependent-neglected by the juvenile division of circuit court prior to eighteen (18) years of age and for whom the juvenile division of circuit court retains jurisdiction;

(35) “Juvenile detention facility” means any facility for the temporary care of juveniles alleged to be delinquent or adjudicated delinquent and awaiting disposition, who require secure custody in a physically restricting facility designed and operated with all entrances and exits under the exclusive control of the facility's staff, so that a juvenile may not leave the facility unsupervised or without permission;

(36) “Law enforcement officer” means any public servant vested by law with a duty to maintain public order or to make arrests for offenses;

(37) “Miranda rights” means the requirement set out in Miranda v. Arizona, 384 U.S. 436 (1966), for law enforcement officers to clearly inform an accused, including a juvenile taken into custody for a delinquent act or a criminal offense, that the juvenile has the right to remain silent, that anything the juvenile says will be used against him or her in court, that the juvenile has the right to consult with a lawyer and to have the lawyer with him or her during interrogation, and that, if the juvenile is indigent, a lawyer will be appointed to represent him or her;

(38)(A) “Neglect” means those acts or omissions of a parent, guardian, custodian, foster parent, or any person who is entrusted with the juvenile's care by a parent, custodian, guardian, or foster parent, including, but not limited to, an agent or employee of a public or private residential home, childcare facility, public or private school, or any person legally responsible under state law for the juvenile's welfare, that constitute:

(i) Failure or refusal to prevent the abuse of the juvenile when the person knows or has reasonable cause to know the juvenile is or has been abused;

(ii) Failure or refusal to provide the necessary food, clothing, shelter, or medical treatment necessary for the juvenile's well-being, except when the failure or refusal is caused primarily by the financial inability of the person legally responsible and no services for relief have been offered;

(iii) Failure to take reasonable action to protect the juvenile from abandonment, abuse, sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, or neglect when the existence of this condition was known or should have been known, and, if for abuse or neglect, the failure to take reasonable action to protect the juvenile causes the juvenile serious bodily injury;

(iv) Failure or irremediable inability to provide for the essential and necessary physical, mental, or emotional needs of the juvenile, including failure to provide a shelter that does not pose a risk to the health or safety of the juvenile;

(v) Failure to provide for the juvenile's care and maintenance, proper or necessary support, or medical, surgical, or other necessary care;

(vi) Failure, although able, to assume responsibility for the care and custody of the juvenile or to participate in a plan to assume the responsibility;

(vii) Failure to appropriately supervise the juvenile that results in the juvenile's being left alone:

(a) At an inappropriate age, creating a dangerous situation; or

(b) In inappropriate circumstances, creating a dangerous situation;

(viii) Failure to appropriately supervise the juvenile that results in the juvenile being placed in inappropriate circumstances, creating a dangerous situation; or

(ix)(a) Failure to ensure a child between six (6) years of age and seventeen (17) years of age is enrolled in school or is being legally home-schooled; or

(b) As a result of an act or omission by the parent, custodian, or guardian of a child, the child is habitually and without justification absent from school.

(B)(i) "Neglect" shall also include:

(a) Causing a child to be born with an illegal substance present in the child's bodily fluids or bodily substances as a result of the pregnant mother's knowingly using an illegal substance before the birth of the child; or

(b) At the time of the birth of a child, the presence of an illegal substance in the mother's bodily fluids or bodily substances as a result of the pregnant mother's knowingly using an illegal substance before the birth of the child.

(ii) For the purposes of this subdivision (38)(B), "illegal substance" means a drug that is prohibited to be used or possessed without a prescription under the Arkansas Criminal Code, § 5-1-101 et seq.

(iii) A test of the child's bodily fluids or bodily substances may be used as evidence to establish neglect under subdivision (38)(B)(i)(a) of this section.

(iv) A test of the mother's bodily fluids or bodily substances or the child's bodily fluids or bodily substances may be used as evidence to establish neglect under subdivision (38)(B)(i)(b) of this section;

(39)(A) "Notice of hearing" means a notice that describes the nature of

the hearing, the time, date, and place of hearing, the right to be present, heard, and represented by counsel, and instructions on how to apply to the court for appointment of counsel, if indigent, or a uniform notice as developed and prescribed by the Supreme Court.

(B) The notice of hearing shall be served in the manner provided for service under the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure;

(40) "Order to appear" means an order issued by the court directing a person who may be subject to the court's jurisdiction to appear before the court at a date and time as set forth in the order;

(41)(A) "Out-of-home placement" means:

(i) Placement in a home or facility other than placement in a youth services center, a detention facility, or the home of a parent or guardian of the juvenile; or

(ii) Placement in the home of an individual other than a parent or guardian, not including any placement when the court has ordered that the placement be made permanent and ordered that no further reunification services or six-month reviews are required.

(B) "Out-of-home placement" shall not include placement in a youth services center or detention facility as a result of a finding of delinquency;

(42) "Parent" means:

(A) A biological mother;

(B) An adoptive parent; or

(C) A man:

(i) To whom the biological mother was married at the time of conception or birth;

(ii) Who has signed an acknowledgment of paternity pursuant to § 9-10-120;

(iii) Who has been found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be the biological father of the juvenile or to have otherwise established paternity; or

(iv) Who is listed as the parent on the birth certificate of the child;

(43) "Paternity hearing" means a legal proceeding to determine the biological father of a juvenile;

(44) "Permanent custody" means custody that is transferred to a person as a permanency disposition in a juvenile case and the case is closed;

(45) "Pornography" means:

(A) Pictures, movies, and videos lacking serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value that when taken as a whole and applying contemporary community standards would appear to the average person to appeal to the prurient interest;

(B) Material that depicts sexual conduct in a patently offensive manner lacking serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value; or

(C) Obscene or licentious material;

(46)(A) "Predisposition report" means a report concerning the juvenile, the family of the juvenile, all possible disposition alternatives, the location of the school in which the juvenile is or was last enrolled, whether the juvenile has been tested for or has been found to have any disability, the name of the juvenile's attorney and, if appointed by the court, the date of the appointment, any participation by the juvenile or his or her family in counseling services previously or currently being provided in conjunction with adjudication of the juvenile, and any other matters relevant to the efforts to provide treatment to the juvenile or the need for treatment of the juvenile or the family.

(B) The predisposition report shall include a home study of any out-of-home placement that may be part of the disposition;

(47) "Prosecuting attorney" means an attorney who is elected as district prosecuting attorney, the duly appointed deputy prosecuting attorney, or any city prosecuting attorney;

(48) "Protection plan" means a written plan developed by the department in conjunction with the family and support network to protect the juvenile from harm and which allows the juvenile to remain safely in the home;

(49) "Putative father" means any man not deemed or adjudicated under the laws of the jurisdiction of the United States to be the biological father of a juvenile who claims to be or is alleged to be the biological father of the juvenile;

(50)(A)(i) "Reasonable efforts" means efforts to preserve the family before the placement of a child in foster care to prevent the need for removing the child from his or her home and efforts to reunify a family made after a child is placed out of his or her home to make it possible for him or her to safely return home.

(ii) Reasonable efforts shall also be made to obtain permanency for a child who has been in an out-of-home placement for more than twelve (12) months or for fifteen (15) of the previous twenty-two (22) months.

(iii) In determining whether or not to remove a child from a home or return a child back to a home, the child's health and safety shall be the paramount concern.

(iv) The department or other appropriate agency shall exercise reasonable diligence and care to utilize all available services related to meeting the needs of the juvenile and the family.

(v)(a) "Reasonable efforts" includes efforts to involve an incarcerated parent.

(b) The department shall:

(1) Involve an incarcerated parent in case planning;

(2) Monitor compliance with services offered by the Division of Correction to the extent permitted by federal law; and

(3) Offer visitation in accordance with the policies of the Division of Correction if visitation is appropriate and in the best interest of the child.

(B) The juvenile division of circuit court may deem that

reasonable efforts have been made when the court has found that the first contact by the department occurred during an emergency in which the child could not safely remain at home, even with reasonable services being provided.

(C) Reasonable efforts to reunite a child with his or her parent or parents shall not be required in all cases. Specifically, reunification shall not be required if a court of competent jurisdiction, including the juvenile division of circuit court, has determined by clear and convincing evidence that the parent has:

(i) Subjected the child to aggravated circumstances;

(ii) Committed murder of any child;

(iii) Committed manslaughter of any child;

(iv) Aided or abetted, attempted, conspired, or solicited to commit the murder or the manslaughter;

(v) Committed a felony battery that results in serious bodily injury to any child;

(vi) Had the parental rights involuntarily terminated as to a sibling of the child;

(vii) Abandoned an infant such that the juvenile is an abandoned infant as defined in subdivision (1) of this section; or

(viii) Registered with a sex offender registry under the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, Pub. L. No. 109-248.

(D) Reasonable efforts to place a child for adoption or with a legal guardian or permanent custodian may be made concurrently with reasonable efforts to reunite a child with his or her family;

(51) "Residence" means:

(A) The place where the juvenile is domiciled; or

(B) The permanent place of abode where the juvenile spends an aggregate of more than six (6) months of the year;

(52)(A) "Restitution" means actual economic loss sustained by an individual or entity as a proximate result of the delinquent acts of a juvenile.

(B) Such economic loss shall include, but not be limited to, medical expenses, funeral expenses, expenses incurred for counseling services, lost wages, and expenses for repair or replacement of property;

(53) "Safety plan" means a plan ordered by the court to be developed for an adjudicated delinquent sex offender under § 9-35-434 who is at moderate or high risk of reoffending for the purposes of § 9-35-204, § 9-35-304, and § 9-35-405;

(54) "Sexual abuse" means:

(A) By a person fourteen (14) years of age or older to a person younger than eighteen (18) years of age:

(i) Sexual intercourse, deviant sexual activity, or sexual contact by forcible compulsion;

(ii) Attempted sexual intercourse, attempted deviant sexual activity, or attempted sexual contact by forcible compulsion;

(iii) Indecent exposure; or

(iv) Forcing the watching of pornography or live sexual

activity;

(B) By a person eighteen (18) years of age or older to a person who is younger than fifteen (15) years of age and is not his or her spouse:

(i) Sexual intercourse, deviant sexual activity, or sexual contact;

(ii) Attempted sexual intercourse, attempted deviant sexual activity, or attempted sexual contact; or

(iii) Solicitation of sexual intercourse, solicitation of deviant sexual activity, or solicitation of sexual contact;

(C) By a person twenty (20) years of age or older to a person who is younger than sixteen (16) years of age who is not his or her spouse:

(i) Sexual intercourse, deviant sexual activity, or sexual contact;

(ii) Attempted sexual intercourse, attempted deviant sexual activity, or attempted sexual contact; or

(iii) Solicitation of sexual intercourse, solicitation of deviant sexual activity, or solicitation of sexual contact;

(D) By a caretaker to a person younger than eighteen (18) years of age:

(i) Sexual intercourse, deviant sexual activity, or sexual contact;

(ii) Attempted sexual intercourse, attempted deviant sexual activity, or attempted sexual contact;

(iii) Forcing or encouraging the watching of pornography;

(iv) Forcing, permitting, or encouraging the watching of live sexual activity;

(v) Forcing listening to a phone sex line;

(vi) An act of voyeurism; or

(vii) Solicitation of sexual intercourse, deviant sexual activity, or sexual contact;

(E) By a person younger than fourteen (14) years of age to a person younger than eighteen (18) years of age:

(i) Sexual intercourse, deviant sexual activity, or sexual contact by forcible compulsion; or

(ii) Attempted sexual intercourse, attempted deviant sexual activity, or attempted sexual contact by forcible compulsion;

(F) By a person eighteen (18) years of age or older to a person who is younger than eighteen (18) years of age, the recruiting, harboring, transporting, obtaining, patronizing, or soliciting of a child for the purpose of a commercial sex act; and

(G) Grooming, by a:

(i) Person eighteen (18) years of age or older to a person not his or her spouse who is younger than fourteen (14) years of age; or

(ii) Caretaker to a person younger than fourteen (14)

years of age;

(55)(A) "Sexual contact" means any act of sexual gratification involving:

(i) Touching, directly or through clothing, of the sex organs, buttocks, or anus of a juvenile or the breast of a female juvenile;

(ii) Encouraging the juvenile to touch the offender in a sexual manner; or

(iii) Requesting the offender to touch the juvenile in a sexual manner.

(B) Evidence of sexual gratification may be inferred from the attendant circumstances surrounding the investigation of the specific complaint of child maltreatment.

(C) This subdivision (55) shall not permit normal, affectionate hugging to be construed as sexual contact;

(56) "Sexual exploitation" includes:

(A) Allowing, permitting, or encouraging participation or depiction of the juvenile in:

(i) Prostitution;

(ii) Obscene photographing; or

(iii) Obscene filming; and

(B) Obscenely depicting, obscenely posing, or obscenely posturing a juvenile for any use or purpose;

(57) "Shelter care" means the temporary care of a juvenile in physically unrestricting facilities under an order for placement pending or under an adjudication of dependency-neglect or family in need of services;

(58) "Significant other" means a person:

(A) With whom the parent shares a household; or

(B) Who has a relationship with the parent that results in the person acting in loco parentis with respect to the parent's child or children, regardless of living arrangements;

(59) "Temporary custody" means custody that is transferred to a person during the pendency of the juvenile court case when services are being provided to achieve the goal of the case plan;

(60) "Trial placement" means that custody of the juvenile remains with the department, but the juvenile is returned to the home of a parent or the person from whom custody was removed for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days;

(61) "UCCJEA" means the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq.;

(62) "UIFSA" means the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, § 9-17-101 et seq.;

(63) "Victim" means any person or entity entitled to restitution as defined in subdivision (52) of this section as the result of a delinquent act committed by a juvenile adjudicated delinquent;

(64) "Victim of human trafficking" means a child who has been

subjected to trafficking of persons as defined in § 5-18-103;

(65)(A) “Voyeurism” means looking for the purpose of sexual arousal or gratification into a private location or place in which a juvenile may reasonably be expected to be nude or partially nude.

(B) "Voyeurism" does not apply to delinquency actions;

(66) “Youth services center” means a youth services facility operated by the state or a contract provider; and

(67) “Youth services facility” means a facility operated by the state or its designee for the care of juveniles who have been adjudicated delinquent or convicted of a crime and who require secure custody in either a physically restrictive facility or a staff-secured facility operated so that a juvenile may not leave the facility unsupervised or without supervision.

9-35-103. Provisions supplemental.

Unless this chapter provides otherwise, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to be:

(1) In conflict with, repeal, or prevent proceedings under any act or statute of this state that may otherwise define any specific act of any person as a crime or misdemeanor, which act might also constitute contributing to the delinquency or dependency of a juvenile, or to prevent or to interfere with proceedings under any such act; or

(2) Inconsistent with or to repeal:

(A) Any act providing for the support by a parent of his or her minor child, the taking of indecent liberties with children, or selling liquor, tobacco, or firearms, to children, or permitting children in prohibited spaces; or

(B) This chapter or prevent proceedings under this chapter.

9-35-104. Applicability.

Any juvenile within this state may be subjected to the care, custody, control, and jurisdiction of the circuit court.

9-35-105. Monthly report.

The circuit court shall submit monthly to the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts a report in writing upon forms to be furnished by the director showing the number and disposition of juveniles brought before the juvenile division of circuit court together with such other information regarding those cases as may be requested by the director.

9-35-106. Support orders.

(a) If it appears at the adjudication or disposition hearing in any case brought under this chapter that the parents or any other person named in the petition who is by law required to provide support for the juvenile is able to contribute to the support of the juvenile, the court shall issue an order requiring the person to pay a reasonable sum pursuant to the guidelines for child support and the family support

chart for the support, maintenance, or education of the juvenile to any person, agency, or institution to whom custody is awarded.

(b) The court, upon proper motion, may make such adjustments and modifications of the order as may appear reasonable and proper.

(c) The court shall also order the persons required by law to support a juvenile to disclose their places of employment and the amounts earned by them. Anyone who refuses to disclose such information may be cited for contempt of court.

9-35-107. Publication of proceedings.

No information by which the name or identity of a juvenile who is the subject of proceedings under this chapter may be ascertained shall be published by the news media without written order of the circuit court.

9-35-108. Compact to share costs.

Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit two (2) or more counties, cities, or school districts of this state from agreeing by compact to share the costs of court personnel or juvenile facilities to serve both or all of the counties so agreeing.

9-35-109. Emancipation of juveniles.

(a) A petition for emancipation may be filed in a circuit court by any party to a dependency-neglect, dependency, family in need of services, or delinquency case.

(b) The petition shall be served along with a notice of hearing to the juvenile's parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian.

(c) The circuit court may emancipate a juvenile in a dependency-neglect, dependency, family in need of services, or delinquency case.

(d)(1) The court may emancipate the juvenile after a hearing on the petition if the petitioner shows by a preponderance of the evidence that:

(A) The juvenile is at least seventeen (17) years of age;

(B) The juvenile is willing to live separate and apart from his or her parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian;

(C) The juvenile has an appropriate place to live;

(D) The juvenile has been managing or has the ability to manage his or her own financial affairs;

(E) The juvenile has a legal source of income, such as employment or a trust fund;

(F) The juvenile has healthcare coverage or a realistic plan on how to meet his or her health needs;

(G) The juvenile agrees to comply with the compulsory school attendance laws; and

(H) Emancipation is in the best interest of the juvenile.

(2) The court shall consider the wishes of the parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian in making its decision.

(3) If the juvenile has an attorney ad litem, the court shall consider the recommendation of the attorney ad litem.

(e) An order of emancipation has the following effects:

(1) The juvenile has the right to obtain and consent to all medical care, including counseling;

(2) The juvenile has the right to enter into contracts;

(3) The juvenile has the right to enroll himself or herself in school, college, or other educational programs;

(4) The juvenile has the right to obtain a driver's license without consent of a parent or other adult so long as the juvenile complies with the remaining requirements of the driver's license law;

(5) The juvenile's parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian is no longer legally responsible for the juvenile;

(6) The juvenile may still be charged with a delinquency and prosecuted in juvenile court;

(7) The juvenile may not marry without parental or guardian consent pursuant to § 9-11-102;

(8) The juvenile is not relieved from compulsory school attendance;

(9) The Department of Human Services is not relieved from the responsibility of providing independent living services and funding for which the juvenile is eligible upon request by the juvenile;

(10) Child support orders are not terminated but may cease upon entry of an order from the court that issued the order of child support;

(11) Until the juvenile reaches the age of majority, the juvenile remains eligible for federal programs and services as a juvenile;

(12) The juvenile is not permitted to obtain items prohibited for sale to or possession by a minor, such as tobacco or alcohol;

(13) The juvenile remains subject to state and federal laws enacted for the protection of persons under eighteen (18) years of age such as the prohibition against a juvenile's obtaining a tattoo; and

(14) No statute of limitations is affected.

Subchapter 2 — Family in Need of Services

9-35-201. Purpose — Construction.

This subchapter shall be liberally construed to ensure that:

(1) The provisions of this subchapter are executed and enforced; and

(2) Each party is assured:

(A) A fair hearing; and

(B) That his or her constitutional and other legal rights are recognized and enforced.

9-35-202. Jurisdiction.

(a) The circuit court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of and be the sole court for the following proceedings governed by this subchapter, including without limitation:

(1) Proceedings in which a family is alleged to be in need of services as defined by this subchapter, including without limitation a juvenile from birth to eighteen (18) years of age, except for the following:

(A) A juvenile whose family has been adjudicated as a family in need of services and who is in foster care before he or she reaches eighteen (18) years of age may request that the court continue jurisdiction until the juvenile reaches twenty-one (21) years of age if the requirements in § 9-35-302 are met;

(B) The court shall retain jurisdiction only if the juvenile meets or has a viable plan to meet the requirements in § 9-35-302; or

(C) The court shall discontinue jurisdiction upon request of the juvenile or when the juvenile completes or is discontinued from the requirements to receive independent living services; and

(2) Proceedings in family in need of services matter to set aside an order of permanent custody upon the disruption of the placement.

(b)(1) A juvenile shall not under any circumstances remain under the court's jurisdiction after the juvenile reaches twenty-one (21) years of age.

(2) The court shall retain jurisdiction to issue an order of adoption, interlocutory or final, if a juvenile is placed outside of the State of Arkansas.

(c) The assignment of cases to the juvenile division of circuit court shall be as described by the Supreme Court in Administrative Order Number 14, originally issued on April 6, 2001.

(d)(1) The circuit court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the district court over a juvenile curfew violation.

(2) The prosecutor may file a family in need of services petition in circuit court or a citation in district court for a juvenile curfew violation.

(e) The circuit court shall have jurisdiction to hear proceedings commenced in any court of this state or court of comparable jurisdiction of another state that are transferred to it under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq.

9-35-203. Venue.

(a)(1) Except as provided in subdivisions (a)(2)-(4) of this section, a proceeding under this subchapter shall be commenced in the circuit court of the county in which the juvenile resides.

(2) A proceeding under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq., shall be commenced in the court provided by the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq.

(3) An adoption or guardianship may be filed in the juvenile division of a circuit court that has previously asserted continuing jurisdiction of the juvenile.

(4) An adult or family member who files a family in need of services petition shall file a motion to transfer if the adult or family member:

(A) Receives information indicating that the juvenile involved in the family in need of services case has relocated to a county in another judicial district; and

(B) Knows the address of the juvenile in the county to which the juvenile has relocated.

(b)(1) Before transferring a case to another venue, the court shall contact the judge in the other venue to confirm that the judge in the other venue will accept the transfer.

(2)(A) Upon confirmation that the judge will accept the transfer of venue, the transferring judge shall enter the transfer order.

(B) The transfer order shall:

(i) Indicate that the judge has accepted the transfer;

(ii) State the location of the court in the new venue;

(iii) Set the time and date of the next hearing;

(iv) Be provided to all parties and attorneys to the case; and

(v) Be transmitted immediately to the judge accepting the transfer.

(3) The transferring court shall also ensure that all court records are copied and sent to the judge in the new venue.

9-35-204. Confidentiality of records — Definition.

(a)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(2) of this section, all records may be closed and confidential within the discretion of the circuit court.

(2) Adoption records, including any part of a dependency-neglect record that includes adoption records, shall be closed and confidential as provided in the Revised Uniform Adoption Act, § 9-9-201 et seq.

(b)(1) The court:

(A) May expunge other juvenile records at any time; and

(B) Shall expunge all the records of a juvenile upon his or her twenty-first birthday in a family in need of services case.

(2) As used in this section, “expunge” means to destroy.

(c) This section does not apply to nor restrict the use or publication of statistics, data, or other materials that summarize or refer to any records, reports, statements, notes, or other information in the aggregate and that do not refer to or disclose the identity of any juvenile defendant in any proceeding when only used for the purpose of research and study.

(d) Records of proceedings under this subchapter and the records of an investigation that is conducted when the alleged offender is an adult and relates to an offense that occurred when the alleged offender was a juvenile shall:

(1) Be confidential; and

(2) Not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq., unless authorized by a written order of the juvenile division of circuit court.

(e) Information regarding a proceeding under this subchapter shall be confidential unless the exchange of information is:

(1) For the purpose of obtaining services for the juvenile, to ensure

school safety, or to ensure public safety;

(2) Reasonably necessary to achieve one (1) or more purposes; and

(3) Under a written order by the circuit court.

(f)(1) The information regarding a proceeding under this subchapter may be given only to the following persons:

(A) A school counselor;

(B) A juvenile court probation officer or caseworker;

(C) A law enforcement officer;

(D) A spiritual representative designated by the juvenile or his or her parents or legal guardian;

(E) A Department of Human Services caseworker;

(F) A community-based provider designated by the court, the school, or the parent or legal guardian of the juvenile;

(G) A Department of Health representative;

(H) The juvenile's attorney ad litem or other court-appointed special advocate; or

(I)(i) A school superintendent or the designee of the superintendent of the school district to which the juvenile transfers, in which the juvenile is enrolled, or from which the juvenile receives services.

(ii) A school superintendent or the designee of the superintendent of the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services shall immediately notify the following persons of information he or she obtains under subdivision (f)(1)(I)(i) of this section:

(a) The principal of the school;

(b) The resource officer of the school; and

(c) Any other school official with a legitimate educational interest in the juvenile.

(2) The persons listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section may meet to:

(A) Exchange information;

(B) Discuss options for assistance to the juvenile;

(C) Develop and implement a plan of action to assist the juvenile; and

(D) Ensure school safety and public safety.

(3) The juvenile and his or her parent or legal guardian:

(A) Shall be notified within a reasonable time before a meeting; and

(B) May attend any meeting of the persons referred to in subdivision (f)(1) of this section when three (3) or more individuals meet to discuss assistance for the juvenile or protection of the public due to the juvenile's behavior.

(4) Medical records, psychiatric records, psychological records, and related information shall remain confidential unless the juvenile's parent or legal guardian waives confidentiality in writing specifically describing the records to be disclosed between the persons listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section and the purpose for the disclosure.

(5) Persons listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section who exchange any information referred to in this section may be held civilly liable for disclosure of the information if the person does not comply with limitations set forth in this section.

(g)(1) When a court orders that a juvenile have a safety plan that restricts or requires supervised contact with another juvenile or juveniles as it relates to student or school safety, the court shall direct that a copy of the safety plan and a copy of the court order regarding the safety plan concerning student or school safety be provided to the school superintendent and principal of the school district:

(A) To which the juvenile transfers;

(B) In which the juvenile is enrolled; or

(C) From which the juvenile receives services.

(2) When a court order amends or removes any safety plan outlined in subdivision (g)(1) of this section, the court shall direct that a copy of the safety plan and a copy of the court order regarding the safety plan, as it relates to student or school safety, be provided to the school superintendent and principal of the school district:

(A) To which the juvenile transfers;

(B) In which the juvenile is enrolled; or

(C) From which the juvenile receives services.

(3)(A) The superintendent or principal of the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services shall provide verbal notification only to school officials who are necessary to implement the safety plan as ordered by the court to ensure student safety.

(B) The verbal notification under subdivision (g)(3)(A) of this section may be provided only to assistant principals, counselors, resource officers, and the school employees who are primarily responsible for the supervision of the juvenile or responsible for the learning environment of the juvenile in the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services, and to bus drivers, if applicable.

(4) School officials that receive a court order and safety plan or information concerning the court order and safety plan shall:

(A) Keep the information confidential and sign a statement not to disclose the information concerning the court order and safety plan that shall be kept by the superintendent or principal along with the court order and safety plan;

(B) Keep the information confidential and not disclose the information to any person not listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section;

(C) Include the information in the juvenile's permanent educational records; and

(D)(i) Treat the information and documentation contained in the court order as education records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, as it existed on January 1, 2025.

(ii) A school official shall not release, disclose, or make available the information and documentation contained in the court order for inspection to any party except as permitted under the Family Educational Rights and

Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g.

(iii) However, the local education agency shall not under any circumstance release, disclose, or make available for inspection to the public, any college, university, institution of higher education, vocational or trade school, or any past, present, or future employer of the student the court order or safety plan portion of a student record.

(5) When a student attains an age that he or she is no longer under the jurisdiction of the juvenile division of circuit court, the safety plan and the order regarding the safety plan shall be removed from the juvenile's permanent records at the local education agency and destroyed.

9-35-205. Commencement of proceedings.

(a) A proceeding shall be commenced by filing a petition with the circuit clerk of the circuit court or by transfer by another court.

(b) A petition for:

(1) A family in need of services may be filed by:

(A) Any adult; or

(B) Any member ten (10) years of age or older of the immediate family alleged to be in need of services; and

(2) Paternity establishment may be filed by:

(A) The biological mother;

(B) A putative father;

(C) A juvenile; or

(D) The Office of Child Support Enforcement.

(c) Concurrent with filing, a copy of any petition that requests that the Department of Human Services take custody or provide family services shall be mailed by the petitioner to the:

(1) Secretary of the Department of Human Services; and

(2) Attorney of the local Office of Chief Counsel of the Department of Human Services.

(d) A fee, including without limitation a fee for filing, copying, or faxing, including without limitation a fee for a petition for adoption and a fee for a petition for guardianship, summons, or subpoena, shall not be charged or collected by the circuit clerk or sheriff's office in a case brought in the circuit court under this subchapter by a governmental entity or nonprofit corporation, including without limitation:

(1) The prosecuting attorney;

(2) An attorney ad litem appointed in a dependency-neglect case; or

(3) The Department of Human Services.

(e) If the circuit clerk's office has a fax machine, the circuit clerk, in a case commenced in the circuit court under this subchapter by a governmental entity or nonprofit corporation, including without limitation the prosecuting attorney, an attorney ad litem appointed in a dependency-neglect case, or the Department of Human Services, shall accept a facsimile transmission of any papers filed under this

subchapter as described in Rule 5 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

9-35-206. Required contents of petition.

(a) A petition brought under this subchapter shall set forth the following:

(1)(A) The name, address, gender, Social Security number, and date of birth of each juvenile subject of the petition.

(B) A single petition shall be filed that includes all siblings who are subjects of the petition;

(2) The name and address of each of the parents or the surviving parent of the juvenile or juveniles;

(3) The name and address of the person, agency, or institution having custody of the juvenile or juveniles;

(4) The name and address of any other person, agency, or institution having a claim to custody or guardianship of the juvenile or juveniles; and

(5) In a paternity hearing, the name and address of both the putative father and the presumed legal father, if any.

(b) If the name or address of anyone listed under subsection (a) of this section is unknown or cannot be ascertained by the petitioner with reasonable diligence, this fact shall be alleged in the petition and the petition shall not be dismissed for insufficiency, but the court shall direct appropriate measures to find and give notice to the persons.

(c)(1) All persons named under subdivisions (a)(1)-(3) of this section shall be made defendants and served as required by this subchapter.

(2) However, in a paternity action, the petitioner shall name as defendants only the mother, the putative father, or the presumed legal father, if any.

(d)(1) A petition shall set forth the following in plain and concise words:

(A) The facts that, if proven, would bring the family or juvenile within the court's jurisdiction;

(B) The section of this subchapter upon which jurisdiction for the petition is based; and

(C) The relief requested by the petitioner.

(2)(A) The petition shall be supported by an affidavit of facts.

(B) A supporting affidavit of facts shall not be required for a paternity petition.

(C) The supporting affidavit of facts shall include known information regarding the fitness of the noncustodial parent to be considered for custody, placement, or family time with the juvenile.

9-35-207. Notification to defendants.

The following persons shall be served with a copy of the petition and either a notice of hearing or an order to appear in the manner provided by the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure:

(1) A juvenile defendant ten (10) years of age or older;

(2) Any person having care and control of the juveniles listed in the

case; and

(3) All adult defendants.

9-35-208. Right to counsel.

(a) In a family in need of services cases, a juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian shall be advised by the law enforcement official taking a juvenile into custody, by the intake officer at the initial intake interview, and by the court at the juvenile's first appearance before the circuit court that the juvenile has the right to be represented at all stages of the proceedings by counsel.

(b) If counsel is not retained for the juvenile or it does not appear that counsel will be retained, counsel shall be appointed to represent the juvenile at all appearances before the court unless the right to counsel is waived as set forth in § 9-35-411.

(c) In a proceeding in which the judge determines that there is a reasonable likelihood that the proceeding may result in the juvenile's commitment to an institution in which the freedom of the juvenile would be curtailed and counsel has not been retained for the juvenile, the court shall appoint counsel for the juvenile.

(d) Appointment of counsel shall be made at a time sufficiently in advance of the court appearance to allow adequate preparation by appointed counsel and adequate consultation between the appointed counsel and the client.

9-35-209. Diversion — Conditions — Agreement — Completion — Definition.

(a) If the prosecuting attorney, after consultation with the intake officer, determines that a diversion of a family in need of services case is in the best interest of the juvenile and the community, the officer with the consent of the petitioner, juvenile, and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian may attempt to make a satisfactory diversion of a case.

(b) In addition to the requirements under subsection (a) of this section, a diversion of a case is subject to the following conditions:

(1) The juvenile has admitted his or her involvement in a family in need of services act for a family in need of services diversion;

(2) The intake officer advises the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian that they have the right to refuse a diversion of the case and demand the filing of a petition and a formal adjudication;

(3) Any diversion agreement is entered into voluntarily and intelligently by the juvenile with the advice of his or her attorney or by the juvenile with the consent of a parent, guardian, or custodian if the juvenile is not represented by counsel;

(4) The diversion agreement provides for the supervision of a juvenile or the referral of the juvenile to a public or private agency for services not to exceed six (6) months;

(5) All other terms of a diversion agreement do not exceed nine (9) months; and

(6) The juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian shall have the right to terminate the diversion agreement at any time and to request the filing of a

petition and a formal adjudication.

(c)(1) The terms of the diversion agreement shall:

(A) Be in writing in simple, ordinary, and understandable language;

(B) State that the agreement was entered into voluntarily by the juvenile;

(C) Name the attorney or other person who advised the juvenile upon the juvenile's entering into the agreement; and

(D) Be signed by all parties to the agreement and by the prosecuting attorney if it is a family in need of services case pursuant to § 6-18-222.

(2) A copy of the diversion agreement shall be given to the juvenile, the counsel for the juvenile, the parent, guardian, or custodian, and the intake officer, who shall retain the copy in the case file.

(d) A diversion agreement shall be:

(1) Implemented by all juvenile courts based on validated assessment tools; and

(2) Used to provide for:

(A) Nonjudicial probation under the supervision of the intake officer or probation officer for a period during which the juvenile may be required to comply with specified conditions concerning his or her conduct and activities;

(B) Participation in a court-approved program of education, counseling, or treatment;

(C) Participation in a court-approved teen court;

(D) Participation in a juvenile drug court program;

(E) Enrollment in the Regional Educational Career Alternative School System for Adjudicated Youth; and

(F)(i) Payment of restitution to the victim.

(ii) Payments of restitution under subdivision (d)(2)(F)(i) of this section shall be paid under § 16-13-326.

(e)(1) If a diversion of a complaint has been made, a petition based upon the events out of which the original complaint arose may be filed only during the period for which the agreement was entered into.

(2) If a petition is filed within this period, the juvenile's compliance with all proper and reasonable terms of the agreement shall be grounds for dismissal of the petition by the court.

(f) The diversion agreement may be terminated and the petitioner in a family in need of services case may file a petition if at any time during the agreement period:

(1) The juvenile or his or her parent, guardian, or custodian declines to further participate in the diversion process;

(2) The juvenile fails, without reasonable excuse, to attend a scheduled conference;

(3) The juvenile appears unable or unwilling to benefit from the diversion process; or

(4) The intake officer becomes apprised of new or additional information that indicates that further efforts at diversion would not be in the best interests of the juvenile or society.

(g) Upon the satisfactory completion of the diversion period:

(1) The juvenile shall be dismissed without further proceedings;

(2) The intake officer shall furnish written notice of the dismissal to the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian; and

(3) The complaint and the agreement, and all references to the complaint and the agreement, may be expunged by the court from the juvenile's file.

(h)(1) A juvenile intake or probation officer may charge a diversion fee only after review of an affidavit of financial means and a determination of the juvenile's or the juvenile's parent's, guardian's, or custodian's ability to pay the fee.

(2) The diversion fee shall not exceed twenty dollars ($20.00) per month to the juvenile division of circuit court.

(3) The court may direct that the fees be collected by the juvenile officer, sheriff, or court clerk for the county in which the fees are charged.

(4) The officer designated by the court to collect diversion fees shall maintain receipts and account for all incoming fees and shall deposit the fees at least weekly into the county treasury of the county where the fees are collected and in which diversion services are provided.

(5) The diversion fees shall be deposited into the account with the juvenile service fees under § 16-13-326.

(i)(1) In judicial districts having more than one (1) county, the judge may designate the treasurer of one (1) of the counties in the district as the depository of all juvenile fees collected in the district.

(2) The treasurer so designated by the court shall maintain a separate account of the juvenile fees collected and expended in each county in the district.

(3) Money remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to any other fund but shall carry over to the next fiscal year.

(4) The funds derived from the collection of diversion fees shall be used by agreement of the judge or judges of the circuit court designated to hear juvenile cases in their district plan pursuant to Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 14, originally issued on April 6, 2001, and the quorum court of the county to provide services and supplies to juveniles at the discretion of the juvenile division of circuit court.

(j)(1) The Department of Human Services shall develop a statewide referral protocol for helping to coordinate the delivery of services to sexually exploited children.

(2) As used in this section, “sexually exploited child” means a person less than eighteen (18) years of age who has been subject to sexual exploitation because the person:

(A) Is a victim of trafficking of persons under § 5-18-103;

(B) Is a victim of child sex trafficking under 18 U.S.C. § 1591, as it existed on January 1, 2013; or

(C) Engages in an act of prostitution under § 5-70-102 or sexual solicitation under § 5-70-103.

9-35-210. Hearings — Generally.

(a) The defendant need not file a written responsive pleading in order to be heard by the court.

(b)(1) At the time set for hearing, the court may:

(A) Proceed to hear the case only if the juvenile is present or excused for good cause by the court; or

(B) Continue the case upon determination that the presence of an adult defendant is necessary.

(2) Upon determining that a necessary party is not present before the court, the court may issue an order:

(A) For contempt if the juvenile was served with an order to appear; or

(B) To appear, with a time and place set by the court for hearing, if the juvenile was served with a notice of hearing.

(c)(1) Hearings under this subchapter shall be in a court of record.

(2) A record of all proceedings shall be kept in the same manner as other proceedings of circuit court and in accordance with rules promulgated by the Supreme Court.

(d)(1) Unless otherwise indicated, the Arkansas Rules of Evidence shall apply to hearings under this subchapter.

(2)(A) The court may order that the father, mother, and child submit to scientific testing for drug or alcohol abuse upon motion of any party.

(B) A written report of the test results prepared by the person conducting the test, or by a person under whose supervision or direction the test and analysis have been performed, certified by an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by him or her before a notary public, may be introduced in evidence without calling the person as a witness unless a motion challenging the test procedures or results has been filed within thirty (30) days before the hearing and bond is posted in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of the person's appearance to testify.

(C)(i) If contested, documentation of the chain of custody of a sample taken from a test subject shall be verified by affidavit of one (1) person's witnessing the procedure or extraction, packaging, and mailing of the sample and by one (1) person's signing for the sample at the place where the sample is subject to the testing procedure.

(ii) Submission of the affidavits along with the submission of the test results shall be competent evidence to establish the chain of custody of that specimen.

(D) Whenever a court orders scientific testing for drug or alcohol abuse and one (1) of the parties refuses to submit to the testing, that refusal shall be disclosed at trial and may be considered civil contempt of court.

(e) Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure shall apply to all proceedings.

(f) All parties shall have the right to compel attendance of witnesses in accordance with the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure and the Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure.

(g)(1) The petitioner in a proceeding shall bear the burden of presenting the case at a hearing.

(2) The burden of proof that shall apply in a proceeding brought under this subchapter is proof by a preponderance of the evidence.

(h)(1)(A) Except as provided by this section, all hearings involving an allegation or report of child maltreatment shall be closed.

(B)(i) A member of the General Assembly may attend any hearing held under this subchapter, including without limitation a closed hearing, unless the court excludes the member of the General Assembly based on the:

(a) Best interest of the child; or

(b) Court's authority under the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure or the Arkansas Rules of Evidence.

(ii) Except as otherwise provided by law, a member of the General Assembly who attends a hearing in accordance with subdivision (h)(1)(B)(i) of this section shall not disclose information obtained during his or her attendance at the hearing.

(C)(i)(a) A Child Welfare Ombudsman may attend a hearing held under this subchapter, including without limitation a closed hearing.

(b) However, a court may exclude the Child Welfare Ombudsman from a hearing if:

(1) It is in the best interest of the child; or

(2) The reason for the exclusion is based on the authority of the court under the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure or the Arkansas Rules of Evidence.

(ii) Unless otherwise allowed by law, the Child Welfare Ombudsman shall not disclose information that he or she obtains through his or her attendance at a hearing held under this subchapter.

(D) All other hearings may be closed within the discretion of the court.

(i)(1) A court shall set a hearing to address the entry of a written order if:

(A) The written order is not provided to the court for entry within the time specified under this subchapter; and

(B) A party files a motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order.

(2)(A) The court shall conduct a hearing to address the entry of the written order within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(B) A hearing to address the entry of a written order may be the next scheduled hearing in the proceeding if the hearing to address the entry of the written order is being held within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(C) The court is not required to conduct a hearing to address the entry of a written order if the written order is submitted to the court.

(3) The court shall reassign the preparation of the written order as

needed.

9-35-211. Adjudication hearing.

(a) An adjudication hearing shall be held to determine whether the allegations in a petition are substantiated by the proof.

(b)(1) On a motion of the court or any party, the court may continue the adjudication hearing up to sixty (60) days after the removal for good cause shown.

(2) The court may continue an adjudication hearing beyond the sixty-day limitation provided in subdivision (b)(1) of this section in extraordinary circumstances.

(3) As used in subdivision (b)(2) of this section, "extraordinary circumstances" includes without limitation the following circumstances:

(A) The Supreme Court orders the suspension of in-person court proceedings; and

(B) One (1) of the following has occurred:

(i) The President of the United States has declared a national emergency; or

(ii) The Governor has declared a state of emergency or a statewide public health emergency.

9-35-212. Disposition — Family in need of services — Generally.

(a) If a family is found to be in need of services, the circuit court may enter an order making any of the following dispositions:

(1)(A) To order family services to rehabilitate the juvenile and his or her family.

(B)(i) If the Department of Human Services is the provider for family services, the family services shall be limited to those services available by the department's community-based providers or contractors, excluding the contractors with the Division of Children and Family Services and services of the department for which the family applies and is determined eligible.

(ii) To prevent removal when the department is the provider for family services, the court shall make written findings outlining how each service is intended to prevent removal;

(2)(A) If it is in the best interest of the juvenile, transfer custody of juvenile family members to another licensed agency responsible for the care of juveniles or to a relative or other individual.

(B) If it is in the best interest of the juvenile and because of acts or omissions by the parent, guardian, or custodian, removal is necessary to protect the juvenile's health and safety, transfer custody to the department.

(C) A juvenile in the custody of the department is "awaiting foster care placement", as that term is used in the definition of "homeless children and youths" in the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. § 11434a(2), as it existed on January 1, 2025, if the juvenile:

(i) Is placed in a shelter, facility, or other short-term

placement with a plan of moving the juvenile within ninety (90) days;

(ii) Is transferred to an emergency placement to protect the juvenile's health or welfare;

(iii) Is placed in a provisional foster home as defined under § 9-28-402;

(iv) Has experienced three (3) or more placements within a twelve-month period; or

(v) Is placed in a regular foster home or other placement that is not directly related to the permanency goal identified in the case plan required under § 9-28-111;

(3)(A) Order that the parent, both parents, or the guardian of the juvenile attend a court-ordered parental responsibility training program, if available.

(B) The court may make reasonable orders requiring proof of completion of such a training program within a certain time period and payment of a fee covering the cost of the training program;

(4) Place the juvenile on residential detention with electronic monitoring in the juvenile's home;

(5) Order the juvenile, his or her parent, both parents, or guardian to perform court-approved volunteer service in the community designed to contribute to the rehabilitation of the juvenile or the ability of the parent or guardian to provide proper parental care and supervision of the juvenile, not to exceed one hundred sixty (160) hours;

(6)(A) Place the juvenile on supervision terms, including without limitation requiring the juvenile to attend school or make satisfactory progress toward attaining a high school equivalency diploma approved by the Adult Education Section, requiring the juvenile to observe a curfew, and prohibiting the juvenile from possessing or using any alcohol or illegal drugs.

(B) The supervision terms shall be:

(i) In writing; and

(ii) Given to the juvenile and explained to the juvenile and to his or her parent, guardian, or custodian by the juvenile intake or probation officer in a conference immediately following the disposition hearing;

(7)(A) Order a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars ($500) to be paid by the juvenile, a parent, both parents, a guardian, or a custodian when the juvenile exceeds the number of excessive unexcused absences provided in the student attendance policy of the district or the Career Education and Workforce Development Board.

(B) The purpose of the penalty set forth in this section is to impress upon the parents, guardians, or persons in loco parentis the importance of school or adult education attendance, and the penalty is not to be used primarily as a source of revenue.

(C)(i) In all cases in which a fine is ordered, the court shall determine the parent's, guardian's, or custodian's ability to pay for the fine.

(ii) In making its determination, the court shall consider

the following factors:

(a) The financial ability of the parent, both parents, the guardian, or the custodian to pay for such services;

(b) The past efforts of the parent, both parents, the guardian, or the custodian to correct the conditions that resulted in the need for family services; and

(c) Any other factors that the court deems relevant.

(D) When practicable and appropriate, the court may utilize mandatory attendance to such programs as well as community service requirements in lieu of a fine;

(8) Assess a court cost of no more than thirty-five dollars ($35.00) to be paid by the juvenile, his or her parent, both parents, the guardian, or the custodian; and

(9) Order a juvenile service fee not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00) per month to be paid by the juvenile, his or her parent, both parents, the guardian, or the custodian.

(b) The court may provide that any violation of its orders shall subject the parent, both parents, the juvenile, custodian, or guardian to contempt sanctions.

9-35-213. Disposition — Family in need of services — Limitations — Definitions.

(a) At least five (5) working days before ordering the Department of Human Services, excluding community-based providers, to provide or pay for family services, the circuit court shall fax a written notice of intent to the Secretary of the Department of Human Services and to the attorney of the local Office of Chief Counsel of the Department of Human Services.

(b) At any hearing in which the department is ordered to provide family services, the court shall provide the department with the opportunity to be heard.

(c) Failure to provide at least five (5) working days' notice to the department renders any part of the order pertaining to the department void.

(d)(1) For purposes of this section, the court shall not specify a particular provider for placement or family services when the department is the payor or provider.

(2)(A) The court may order a child to remain in a placement if the court finds the placement is in the best interest of the child after hearing evidence from all parties.

(B) A court may also order a child to be placed into a licensed or approved placement after a hearing in which the court makes a finding that it is in the best interest of the child based on bona fide consideration of evidence and recommendations from all the parties.

(e)(1) In all cases in which family services are ordered, the court shall determine a parent's, guardian's, or custodian's ability to pay, in whole or in part, for these family services.

(2) The determination under subdivision (e)(1) of this section and the evidence supporting the determination shall be made in writing in the order ordering family services.

(3) If the court determines that the parent, guardian, or custodian is able to pay, in whole or part, for the family services, the court shall enter a written order setting forth the amount the parent, guardian, or custodian can pay for the family services ordered and ordering the parent, guardian, or custodian to pay the amount periodically to the provider from whom family services are received.

(4) As used in this subsection:

(A) "Parent, guardian, or custodian" means the individual or individuals from whom custody was removed; and

(B) "Periodically" means no more than one (1) time per month.

(5) In making its determination under this subsection, the court shall consider the following factors:

(A) The financial ability of the parent, both parents, the guardian, or the custodian to pay for the family services;

(B) The past efforts of the parent, both parents, the guardian, or the custodian to correct the conditions that resulted in the need for family services; and

(C) Any other factors the court deems relevant.

(f) Custody of a juvenile may be transferred to a relative or other individual only after a home study of the placement is conducted by the department or a licensed social worker who is approved to do home studies and submitted to the court in writing and the court determines that the placement is in the best interest of the juvenile.

(g) Custody of a juvenile shall not be transferred to the department if a delinquency petition or case is converted to a family in need of services petition or case.

(h) A court shall not commit a juvenile found solely in criminal contempt to the Division of Youth Services.

(i) For purposes of this section, the court shall not order the department to expend or forward Social Security benefits for which the department is payee.

9-35-214. Limitations on detention.

A juvenile who is alleged to be or who has been adjudicated either dependent-neglected or a member of a family in need of services shall not be placed or detained in a secure detention facility, in a facility utilized for the detention of alleged or adjudicated delinquent juveniles, or in a facility utilized for the detention of adults held for, charged with, or convicted of a crime except:

(1)(A) A juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility when he or she has been away from home for more than twenty-four (24) hours and when the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives beyond a fifty-mile driving distance or out of state.

(B)(i) The juvenile may be held in custody in a juvenile

detention facility for purposes of identification, processing, or arranging for release or transfer to an alternative facility.

(ii) The holding shall be limited to the minimum time necessary to complete these actions and shall not occur in any facility utilized for incarceration of adults.

(C)(i) A juvenile held under this subdivision (1) shall be separated from detained juveniles charged or held for delinquency.

(ii) A juvenile shall not be held under this subdivision (1) for more than six (6) hours if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives in the state or twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays, if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives out of state; and

(2)(A) An adjudicated-family-in-need-of-services juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility when the court finds that the juvenile violated a valid court order.

(B)(i) For the purposes of this subdivision (2), a valid court order shall include any order of a circuit court regarding a juvenile who has been brought before the court and made subject to a court order.

(ii) The juvenile who is the subject of the order is entitled to full due process rights.

9-35-215. Six-month reviews required.

(a)(1) The court shall review every case of family in need of services when:

(A) A juvenile is placed by the court in the custody of the Department of Human Services or in another out-of-home placement until there is a permanent order of custody, guardianship, or other permanent placement for the juvenile; or

(B) A juvenile is returned to the parent from whom the juvenile was removed, another fit parent, guardian, or custodian and the court has not discontinued orders for family services.

(2)(A) The first six-month review shall be held no later than six (6) months from the date of the original out-of-home placement of the juvenile and shall be scheduled by the court following the adjudication and disposition hearing.

(B) It shall be reviewed every six (6) months thereafter until permanency is achieved.

(3) A six-month review hearing shall not be required for a juvenile who:

(A) Is over eighteen (18) years of age; and

(B) Has elected to remain in extended foster care or to return to extended foster care under § 9-35-302.

(b) The court may require the cases under this section to be reviewed before the sixth-month review hearing, and the court shall announce the date, time, and place of the hearing.

(c) At any time during the pendency of any case of dependency-neglect or family in need of services in which an out-of-home placement has occurred, any party may request the court to review the case, and the party requesting the hearing shall provide reasonable notice to all parties.

(d) At any time during the course of a case, the department, the attorney ad litem, or the court can request a hearing on whether or not reunification services should be terminated under § 9-35-335.

(e)(1) In each case in which a juvenile has been placed in an out-of-home placement, the court shall conduct a hearing to review the case sufficiently to determine the future status of the juvenile based upon the best interest of the juvenile.

(2)(A) The court shall determine and include in its orders the following:

(i) Whether the case plan, services, and placement meet the special needs and best interest of the juvenile, with the juvenile's health, safety, and educational needs specifically addressed;

(ii) Whether the state has made reasonable efforts to provide family services;

(iii) Whether the parent or parents or person from whom custody was removed has demonstrated progress toward the goals of the case plan and whether completion of the goals has benefited the parent in remedying the issues that prevent the safe return of the juvenile;

(iv) Whether the case plan is moving toward an appropriate permanency plan under § 9-35-324 for the juvenile;

(v) Whether the visitation plan is appropriate for the juvenile, the parent or parents, and any siblings, if separated; and

(vi)(a) Whether the juvenile should be returned to his or her parent or parents and whether or not the juvenile's health and safety can be protected by his or her parent or parents if returned home, either permanently or for a trial placement.

(b) At any time the court determines that the health and safety of the juvenile can be adequately protected and it is in the best interest of the juvenile, the court shall return the juvenile to a parent or parents from whom custody was removed.

(B)(i) The court may order any study, evaluation, or post-disposition report, if needed.

(ii) All studies, evaluations, or post-disposition reports shall be provided in writing to all parties and counsel at least two (2) days before the review hearing.

(iii) All parties shall be given a fair opportunity to controvert any part of a study, evaluation, or post-disposition report.

(3)(A) In making its findings, the court shall consider the following:

(i) The extent of compliance with the case plan, including without limitation a review of the department's care for the health, safety, and education of the juvenile while he or she has been in an out-of-home placement;

(ii) The extent of progress that has been made toward alleviating or mitigating the causes of the out-of-home placement;

(iii) Whether the juvenile should be returned to his or her parent or parents and whether or not the juvenile's health and safety can be protected by his or her parent or parents if returned home; and

(iv) An appropriate permanency plan under § 9-35-324 for the juvenile, including concurrent planning.

(B) Incompletion of the case plan under subdivision (e)(3)(A)(i) of this section is an insufficient reason by itself to deny the juvenile's return to the family home.

(f) Each six-month review hearing shall be completed, and the written order under subsection (e) of this section shall be filed by the court or by a party or a party's attorney as designated by the court and distributed to the parties within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or before the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-35-216. Proceedings concerning juveniles for whom paternity not established.

(a) Absent an order of a circuit court or another court of competent jurisdiction to the contrary, the biological mother, whether adult or minor, of a juvenile for whom paternity has not been established is:

(1) Deemed to be the natural guardian of that juvenile; and

(2) Is entitled to the care, custody, and control of that juvenile.

(b) The biological mother, the putative father, the juvenile himself or herself, or the Office of Child Support Enforcement may bring an action to establish paternity or support of a juvenile for whom paternity has not been established.

(c)(1) If the juvenile is not born when the parties appear before the court, the court may hear evidence and issue temporary orders and findings pending the birth of the juvenile.

(2) If the final order is contrary to the temporary one, the court shall render judgment for the amount paid under the temporary order against the petitioner if the petitioner was the biological mother.

(3) If the mother dies before the final order, the action may be revived in the name of the juvenile, and the mother's testimony at the temporary hearing may be introduced in the final hearing.

(d)(1) Upon an adjudication by the court that the putative father is the father of the juvenile, the court shall follow the same guidelines, procedures, and requirements as established by the laws of this state applicable to child support orders and judgments entered upon divorce.

(2) The court may award court costs and attorney's fees.

(e)(1) If paternity has been established in a court of competent jurisdiction, a father may petition the court in the county where the juvenile resides for custody of the juvenile.

(2) The court may award custody to a father who has had paternity established if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that:

(A) He is a fit parent to raise the juvenile;

(B) He has assumed his responsibilities toward the juvenile by providing care, supervision, protection, and financial support for the juvenile; and

(C) It is in the best interest of the juvenile to award custody to the father.

(f) At the request of either party in a paternity action, the trial court shall direct that the putative father, biological mother, and juvenile submit to one (1) or more blood tests or other scientific examinations or tests, including deoxyribonucleic acid typing, to:

(1) Determine whether or not the putative father can be excluded as being the father of the juvenile; and

(2) Establish the probability of paternity if the test does not exclude the putative father.

(g) The tests under subsection (f) of this section shall be made by a duly qualified physician or physicians, or by another duly qualified person or persons, not to exceed three (3), to be appointed by the court.

(h)(1) The results of the tests under subsection (f) of this section shall be receivable in evidence.

(2)(A)(i) A written report of the test results by the duly qualified expert performing the test, or by a duly qualified expert under whose supervision and direction the test and analysis have been performed, certified by an affidavit duly subscribed and sworn to by the expert before a notary public, may be introduced in evidence in illegitimacy actions without calling the expert as a witness.

(ii) If either party desires to question the expert, the party shall have the expert subpoenaed within a reasonable time before trial.

(B) If the results of the paternity tests establish a ninety-five percent (95%) or more probability of inclusion that the putative father is the biological father of the juvenile and after corroborating testimony of the mother in regard to access during the probable period of conception, this shall constitute a prima facie case of establishment of paternity and the burden of proof shall shift to the putative father to rebut such proof.

(3) The experts shall be subject to cross-examination by both parties after the court has caused them to disclose their findings.

(i) Whenever the court orders the blood tests to be taken and one (1) of the parties refuses to submit to the test, that fact shall be disclosed upon the trial unless good cause is shown to the contrary.

(j) The costs of the test and witness fees shall be taxed by the court as other costs in the case.

(k) Whenever it shall be relevant to the prosecution or the defense in a paternity action, blood tests that exclude third parties as the father of the juvenile shall be the same as set out in subsections (f) and (g) of this section.

(l) The refusal of a party to submit to a genetic or other ordered test is admissible at a hearing to determine paternity only as to the credibility of the party.

(m) If a male witness offers testimony indicating that his act of intercourse with the mother may have resulted in the conception of the juvenile, the court may require the witness to submit to genetic or other tests to determine whether he is the juvenile's father.

9-35-217. Appeals.

(a) All appeals from juvenile cases shall be made to the Supreme Court or to the Court of Appeals in the time and manner provided for appeals in the Arkansas Rules of Appellate Procedure.

9-35-218. Duties and responsibilities of custodian.

(a) A person or agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile in a proceeding under this subchapter shall:

(1) Care for and maintain the juvenile; and

(2) See that the juvenile is:

(A) Protected;

(B) Properly trained and educated; and

(C) Has the opportunity to learn a trade, occupation, or profession.

(b) The person or agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile in a proceeding under this subchapter has the right to obtain medical care for the juvenile, including giving consent to specific medical, dental, or mental health treatments and procedures as required in the opinion of a duly authorized or licensed physician, dentist, surgeon, or psychologist, whether or not such care is rendered on an emergency, inpatient, or outpatient basis.

(c) The custodian has the right to enroll the juvenile in school upon the presentation of an order of custody.

(d) The custodian has the right to obtain medical and school records of any juvenile in his or her custody upon presentation of an order of custody.

(e) Any agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile has the right to consent to the juvenile's travel on vacation or similar trips.

(f)(1) A person granted custody, guardianship, or adoption of any juvenile in a proceeding under or arising out of a dependency-neglect action under this subchapter shall ensure that the juvenile is not returned to the care or supervision of any person from whom the child was removed or any person the court has specifically ordered not to have care, supervision, or custody of the juvenile.

(2) This section shall not be construed to prohibit these placements if the person who has been granted custody, guardianship, or adoption obtains a court order to that effect from the juvenile division of circuit court that made the award of custody, guardianship, or adoption.

(3) Failure to comply with subdivision (f)(1) of this section is punishable as a criminal offense under § 5-26-502(a)(3).

(g)(1) The court shall not split custody.

(2) As used in this section, "split custody" means granting legal custody to one (1) person or agency and physical custody to another person or agency.

9-35-219. Court costs, fees, and fines.

(a) The juvenile division of the circuit court may order the following court costs, fees, and fines to be paid by adjudicated defendants to the circuit court

juvenile division fund as provided under § 16-13-326:

(1) The court may assess an adjudicated family in need of services court costs not to exceed thirty-five dollars ($35.00) as provided under § 9-35-212;

(2) The court may order a juvenile service fee for an adjudicated family in need of services not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00) per month as provided under § 9-35-212;

(3) The court may order a fine for an adjudicated family in need of services of not more than five hundred dollars ($500) as provided under § 9-35-423; and

(4) A juvenile intake or probation officer may charge a diversion fee limited to no more than twenty dollars ($20.00) per month as provided under § 9-35-417.

(b) The court shall direct that the juvenile division court costs and fees be collected, maintained, and accounted for in the same manner as juvenile probation and juvenile services fees are collected, maintained, and accounted for under § 16-13-326.

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9-35-301. Purposes — Construction.

This subchapter shall be liberally construed to the end that its purposes may be carried out to:

(1) Assure that all juveniles brought to the attention of the courts receive the guidance, care, and control, preferably in each juvenile's own home when the juvenile's health and safety are not at risk, that will best serve the emotional, mental, and physical welfare of the juvenile and the best interest of the state;

(2)(A) Preserve and strengthen the juvenile's family ties when it is in the best interest of the juvenile;

(B) Protect a juvenile by considering the juvenile's health and safety as the paramount concerns in determining whether or not to remove the juvenile from the custody of his or her parents or custodians, removing the juvenile only when the safety and protection of the public cannot adequately be safeguarded without such removal;

(C) When a juvenile is removed from his or her own family, secure for him or her custody, care, and discipline with primary emphasis on ensuring the health and safety of the juvenile while in the out-of-home placement; and

(D) Assure, in all cases in which a juvenile must be permanently removed from the custody of his or her parents, that the juvenile be placed in an approved family home and be made a member of the family by adoption; and

(3) Provide means through which the provisions of this subchapter are executed and enforced and in which the parties are assured a fair hearing and their constitutional and other legal rights recognized and enforced.

9-35-302. Jurisdiction.

(a)(1) The circuit court shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of and shall be the sole court for the following proceedings governed by this subchapter,

including without limitation:

(A) Proceedings in which a juvenile is alleged to be dependent or dependent-neglected from birth to eighteen (18) years of age, except for the following:

(i)(a) A juvenile who has been adjudicated dependent or dependent-neglected before eighteen (18) years of age may request the court to continue jurisdiction over the juvenile until twenty-one (21) years of age so long as the juvenile is:

(1) Completing secondary education or a program leading to an equivalent credential;

(2) Enrolled in an institution providing postsecondary or vocational education;

(3) Participating in a program or activity designed to promote or remove barriers to employment;

(4) Employed for at least eighty (80) hours per month; or

(5) Incapable of completing school or work requirements due to a documented medical condition.

(b) The court shall retain jurisdiction only if the juvenile meets the requirements of subdivision (a)(1)(A)(i)(a) of this section or has a viable plan to meet the requirements.

(c) The court shall discontinue jurisdiction only after a hearing to determine whether:

(1) The juvenile:

(A) Knowingly and voluntarily is requesting to leave care;

(B) Has failed to meet the requirements of subdivision (a)(1)(A)(i)(a) of this section; or

(C) Does not have a viable plan to meet the requirements; and

(2) The Department of Human Services has fully complied with § 9-28-114 or § 9-35-334; or

(ii) A juvenile may contact his or her attorney ad litem to petition the court to return to the court's jurisdiction if the juvenile:

(a) Was adjudicated dependent or dependent-neglected;

(b) Was in foster care at eighteen (18) years of age; and

(c) Left foster care but desires to submit to the jurisdiction of the court before reaching twenty-one (21) years of age to benefit from extended foster care;

(B) Proceedings in which emergency custody, protective custody, or a seventy-two-hour hold has been taken on a juvenile under § 9-35-308, § 9-35-309, § 9-35-409, or the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq.;

(C) Proceedings for termination of parental rights for a juvenile under this subchapter;

(D) Proceedings in which custody of a juvenile is transferred to the department;

(E) Custodial placement proceedings filed by the department; and

(F) Proceedings in dependency-neglect to set aside an order of permanent custody upon the disruption of the placement.

(2) A juvenile shall not under any circumstance remain under the court's jurisdiction past twenty-one (21) years of age.

(3)(A) When the department exercises protective custody of a juvenile under the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq., files a petition for an ex parte emergency order, or files a petition for dependency-neglect concerning that juvenile, before or subsequent to the other legal proceeding, a party to that petition may file a motion to transfer any other legal proceeding concerning the juvenile to the court hearing the dependency-neglect petition.

(B) Upon the filing of a motion, the other legal proceeding shall be transferred to the court hearing the dependency-neglect case.

(4) The court shall retain jurisdiction to issue orders of adoption, interlocutory or final, if a juvenile is placed outside the State of Arkansas.

(b) The assignment of a case to the juvenile division of the circuit court shall be as described by the Supreme Court in Administrative Order Number 14, originally issued on April 6, 2001.

(c) The circuit court shall have jurisdiction to hear proceedings commenced in any court of this state or court of comparable jurisdiction of another state that are transferred to it under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq.

(d) Regardless of funding, a juvenile will be allowed to return to foster care if:

(1) Evidence is presented to the circuit court that the department failed to comply with § 9-28-114 and § 9-35-334 or if there is evidence that the juvenile was coerced by an employee or agent of the department to leave foster care; or

(2) The juvenile submits a request to reenter foster care in writing or verbally to the department.

(e) If a juvenile over eighteen (18) years of age who is allowed to reenter extended foster care fails to be engaged in or have a viable plan to meet the requirements in subdivision (a)(1)(A)(i)(a) of this section or have a viable plan to meet the requirements of subdivision (a)(1)(A)(i)(a) of this section for more than sixty (60) days, the department may:

(1) File a motion to terminate the jurisdiction of the court and discharge the juvenile from foster care; or

(2) Provide notice to the juvenile not under the jurisdiction of the court that his or her case will be closed and discharge the juvenile from foster care.

9-35-303. Venue.

(a)(1)(A) Except as set forth in subdivisions (a)(2)-(4) of this section, a proceeding under this subchapter shall be commenced in the circuit court of the county in which the juvenile resides.

(B)(i) No dependency-neglect proceeding shall be dismissed if

a proceeding is filed in the incorrect county.

(ii) If the proceeding is filed in the incorrect county, then the dependency-neglect proceeding shall be transferred to the proper county upon discovery of the proper county of residence of the juvenile.

(2) A proceeding may be commenced in the county where the alleged act or omission occurred in:

(A) Nonsupport after establishment of paternity; or

(B) Dependency-neglect.

(3) A proceeding under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq., shall be commenced in the court provided by the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq.

(4) An adoption or guardianship may be filed in a juvenile court that has previously asserted continuing jurisdiction of the juvenile.

(5) A juvenile proceeding shall comply with § 16-13-210, except detention hearings under § 9-35-420 and probable cause hearings under § 9-35-310.

(b)(1) Following adjudication, the court may on its own motion or on motion of any party transfer the case to the county of the juvenile's residence when the provisions of the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq., do not apply.

(2) The court shall not transfer any case to another judicial district prior to adjudication, excluding matters filed in the incorrect venue, or any case in which a petition to terminate parental rights has been filed unless the court has taken final action on the petition.

(c)(1) Before transferring a case to another venue, the court shall contact the judge in the other venue to confirm that the judge in the other venue will accept the transfer.

(2)(A) Upon confirmation that the judge will accept the transfer of venue, the transferring judge shall enter the transfer order.

(B) The transfer order shall:

(i) Indicate that the judge has accepted the transfer;

(ii) State the location of the court in the new venue;

(iii) Set the time and date of the next hearing;

(iv) Be provided to all parties and attorneys to the case; and

(v) Be transmitted immediately to the judge accepting the transfer.

(3) The transferring court shall also ensure that all court records are copied and sent to the judge in the new venue.

9-35-304. Confidentiality of records — Definition.

(a)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(2) of this section, all records may be closed and confidential within the discretion of the circuit court.

(2) Adoption records, including any part of a dependency-neglect record that includes adoption records, shall be closed and confidential as provided in

the Revised Uniform Adoption Act, § 9-9-201 et seq.

(b)(1) The court:

(A) May expunge other juvenile records at any time; and

(B) Shall expunge all the records of a juvenile upon his or her twenty-first birthday in a dependency-neglect case.

(2) For purposes of this section, "expunge" means to destroy.

(c) This section does not apply to nor restrict the use or publication of statistics, data, or other materials that summarize or refer to any records, reports, statements, notes, or other information in the aggregate and that do not refer to or disclose the identity of any juvenile in any proceeding when used only for the purpose of research and study.

(d) Records of proceedings under this subchapter and the records of an investigation that is conducted when the alleged offender is an adult and relates to an offense that occurred when the alleged offender was a juvenile shall be confidential and shall not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq., unless authorized by a written order of the juvenile division of circuit court.

(e) Information regarding proceedings under this subchapter shall be confidential unless the exchange of information is:

(1) For the purpose of obtaining services for the juvenile, to ensure school safety, or to ensure public safety;

(2) Reasonably necessary to achieve one (1) or more purposes; and

(3) Under a written order by the circuit court.

(f)(1) The information may be given only to the following persons:

(A) A school counselor;

(B) A juvenile court probation officer or caseworker;

(C) A law enforcement officer;

(D) A spiritual representative designated by the juvenile or his or her parents or legal guardian;

(E) A Department of Human Services caseworker;

(F) A community-based provider designated by the court, the school, or the parent or legal guardian of the juvenile;

(G) A Department of Health representative;

(H) The juvenile's attorney ad litem or other court-appointed special advocate; or

(I)(i) A school superintendent or the designee of the superintendent of the school district to which the juvenile transfers, in which the juvenile is enrolled, or from which the juvenile receives services.

(ii) A school superintendent or the designee of the superintendent of the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services shall immediately notify the following persons of information he or she obtains under subdivision (f)(1)(I)(i) of this section:

(a) The principal of the school;

and

(b) Any other school official with a legitimate educational interest in the juvenile.

(2) The persons listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section may meet to exchange information, to discuss options for assistance to the juvenile, to develop and implement a plan of action to assist the juvenile, to ensure school safety, and to ensure public safety.

(3) The juvenile and his or her parent or legal guardian shall be notified within a reasonable time before a meeting and may attend any meeting of the persons referred to in subdivision (f)(1) of this section when three (3) or more individuals meet to discuss assistance for the juvenile or protection of the public due to the juvenile's behavior.

(4) Medical records, psychiatric records, psychological records, and related information shall remain confidential unless the juvenile's parent or legal guardian waives confidentiality in writing specifically describing the records to be disclosed between the persons listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section and the purpose for the disclosure.

(5) A person listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section who exchanges any information referred to in this section may be held civilly liable for disclosure of the information if the person does not comply with limitations set forth in this section.

(g)(1) When a court orders that a juvenile have a safety plan that restricts or requires supervised contact with another juvenile or juveniles as it relates to student or school safety, the court shall direct that a copy of the safety plan and a copy of the court order regarding the safety plan concerning student or school safety be provided to the school superintendent and principal of the school district:

(A) To which the juvenile transfers;

(B) In which the juvenile is enrolled; or

(C) From which the juvenile receives services.

(2) When a court order amends or removes any safety plan outlined in subdivision (g)(1) of this section, the court shall direct that a copy of the safety plan and a copy of the court order regarding the safety plan, as it relates to student or school safety, be provided to the school superintendent and principal of the school district:

(A) To which the juvenile transfers;

(B) In which the juvenile is enrolled; or

(C) From which the juvenile receives services.

(3)(A) The superintendent or principal of the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services shall provide verbal notification only to school officials who are necessary to implement the safety plan as ordered by the court to ensure student safety.

(B) The verbal notification under subdivision (g)(3)(A) of this section may only be provided to assistant principals, counselors, resource officers, and the school employees who are primarily responsible for the supervision of the juvenile or responsible for the learning environment of the juvenile in the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services,

and to bus drivers, if applicable.

(4) A school official that receives a court order and safety plan or information concerning the court order and safety plan shall:

(A) Keep the information confidential and sign a statement not to disclose the information concerning the court order and safety plan that shall be kept by the superintendent or principal along with the court order and safety plan;

(B) Keep the information confidential and not disclose the information to any person not listed in subdivision (f)(1) of this section;

(C) Include the information in the juvenile's permanent educational records; and

(D)(i) Treat the information and documentation contained in the court order as education records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, as it existed on January 1, 2025.

(ii) A school official shall not release, disclose, or make available the information and documentation contained in the court order for inspection to any party except as permitted under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, as it existed on January 1, 2025.

(iii) However, the local education agency shall not under any circumstance release, disclose, or make available for inspection to the public, any college, university, institution of higher education, vocational or trade school, or any past, present, or future employer of the student the court order or safety plan portion of a student record.

(5) When a student attains an age that he or she is no longer under the jurisdiction of the juvenile division of circuit court, the safety plan and the order regarding the safety plan shall be removed from the juvenile's permanent records at the local education agency and destroyed.

9-35-305. Commencement of proceedings.

(a) A proceeding under this subchapter shall be commenced by filing a petition with the circuit clerk of the circuit court or by transfer by another court.

(b)(1) Only a law enforcement officer, prosecuting attorney, the Department of Human Services or its designee, or a dependency-neglect attorney ad litem employed by or contracting with the Administrative Office of the Courts may file a dependency-neglect petition seeking ex parte emergency relief.

(2) A petition for dependency-neglect may be filed by any adult.

(3) A petition for paternity establishment may be filed by:

(A) The biological mother;

(B) A putative father;

(C) A juvenile; or

(D) The Office of Child Support Enforcement.

(c) Concurrent with filing, a copy of any petition that requests that the Department of Human Services take custody or provide family services shall be mailed to:

(1) The Secretary of the Department of Human Services; and

(2) The attorney of the local Office of Chief Counsel of the Department of Human Services by the petitioner.

(d) No fee, including without limitation a fee for filing, copying, or faxing, including petitions for adoption, petitions for guardianships, summons, or subpoenas, shall be charged or collected by the circuit clerk or sheriff's office in cases brought in the circuit court under this subchapter by a governmental entity or nonprofit corporation, including without limitation:

(1) The prosecuting attorney;

(2) An attorney ad litem appointed in a dependency-neglect case; or

(3) The Department of Human Services.

(e) If the circuit clerk's office has a fax machine, the circuit clerk, in cases commenced in the circuit court under this subchapter by a governmental entity or nonprofit corporation, including without limitation the prosecuting attorney, an attorney ad litem appointed in a dependency-neglect case, or the Department of Human Services, shall accept facsimile transmissions of any papers filed under this subchapter as described in Rule 5 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

(f) An attorney ad litem appointed under § 12-18-1001(e) shall review all relevant information from the juvenile proceeding regarding the child or children for whom protective custody was taken and shall file any pleadings that may be necessary to protect the health, safety, or welfare of the child or children.

9-35-306. Required contents of petition.

(a) The petition shall set forth the following:

(1)(A) The name, address, gender, Social Security number, and date of birth of each juvenile subject of the petition.

(B) A single petition for dependency-neglect shall be filed that includes all siblings who are subjects of the petition;

(2) The name and address of each of the parents or the surviving parent of the juvenile or juveniles;

(3) The name and address of the person, agency, or institution having custody of the juvenile or juveniles;

(4) The name and address of any other person, agency, or institution having a claim to custody or guardianship of the juvenile or juveniles;

(5) In a proceeding to establish paternity, the name and address of both the putative father and the presumed legal father, if any;

(6) The name and address of a putative parent, if any;

(7) The name, address, gender, and date of birth of any sibling of a juvenile named as respondent to the petition; and

(8) The name of each parent, guardian, or custodian of a sibling of a juvenile named as respondent to the petition.

(b) If the name or address of anyone listed in subsection (a) of this section is unknown or cannot be ascertained by the petitioner with reasonable diligence, this shall be alleged in the petition and the petition shall not be dismissed for insufficiency, but the court shall direct appropriate measures to find and give notice

to the persons.

(c)(1) All persons named in subdivisions (a)(1)-(3) of this section shall be made defendants and served as required by this subchapter.

(2) However:

(A) The juvenile shall have party status and be named in the petition as a respondent and shall be served notice under § 9-35-307;

(B) In a dependency-neglect and termination of parental rights petition, the putative parent shall be named as a party if the petitioner alleges that the putative parent:

(i) May have a claim of paternity of a juvenile born outside of marriage;

(ii) Has established significant contacts with the juvenile, which may be demonstrated by a significant custodial, personal, or financial relationship with the juvenile; or

(iii) Is listed on the Putative Father Registry;

(C) A putative parent who was not originally named as a party to the dependency-neglect petition shall be added as a party if:

(i) Paternity is established and a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order establishing paternity between the juvenile and the putative parent; or

(ii) The court determines that the putative parent is a parent as defined in § 9-35-102; and

(D) In a paternity action, the petitioner shall name as defendants only the mother, the putative father, or the presumed legal father, if any.

(d)(1)(A) The Department of Human Services shall make diligent efforts to identify putative parents.

(B) Diligent efforts shall include without limitation checking the Putative Father Registry.

(2)(A)(i) A petitioner may name and serve a putative parent as a party under § 9-35-307 in order to resolve the putative parent's status and rights under § 9-35-314 or terminate the rights of the putative parent under § 9-35-325.

(ii) If the petitioner does not name and serve a putative parent as a party in accordance with subdivision (d)(2)(A)(i) of this section, the petitioner shall provide a putative parent with notice under Rule 4 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure of a proceeding as soon as the putative parent is identified.

(B) The notice shall include information about:

(i) The method of establishing paternity;

(ii) The right of the putative parent to prove significant contacts; and

(iii) The right of the putative parent to be heard by the court.

(C) The petitioner shall provide the notice to the court and the parties to the case.

(D) After receiving the notice required under subdivision

(d)(2)(A)(ii) of this section, the putative parent has the burden of establishing one (1) of the following:

(i) The putative parent has significant contacts with the juvenile, which may be demonstrated by a significant custodial, personal, or financial relationship with the juvenile; or

(ii) The putative parent is a parent as defined in § 9-35-102.

(E) If the putative parent, after receiving the notice required under subdivision (d)(2)(A)(ii) of this section and being given an opportunity to prove significant contacts with the juvenile, fails to demonstrate significant contacts with the juvenile and the court finds that the putative parent was given sufficient notice and an opportunity to be heard, the court may:

(i) Order deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing to determine whether the putative parent is the biological parent of the juvenile;

(ii) Enter an order:

(a) Finding that the putative parent does not have rights to the juvenile;

(b) Dismissing the putative parent from the action; and

(c) Finding that no further notice is due to the putative parent whose rights have not attached with regard to the juvenile, including in the event of a filed petition for adoption; or

(iii) Enter an order providing that only a parent or putative parent whose rights have attached to the juvenile shall be included in a petition to terminate parental rights under § 9-35-325.

(e)(1) The petition shall set forth the following in plain and concise words:

(A) The facts that, if proven, would bring the family or juvenile within the court's jurisdiction;

(B) The section of this subchapter upon which jurisdiction for the petition is based; and

(C) The relief requested by the petitioner.

(2)(A) The petition shall be supported by an affidavit of facts.

(B) A supporting affidavit of facts shall not be required for a termination of parental rights petition.

(C) The supporting affidavit of facts shall include known information regarding the fitness of the noncustodial parent to be considered for custody, placement, or family time with the juvenile.

(D) If the petition for dependency-neglect is filed by the department, the supporting affidavit of facts shall include a list of all contact the department has had with the family before the filing of the petition, including without limitation hotline calls accepted for maltreatment, investigations, and open cases.

9-35-307. Notification to defendants.

(a) A juvenile respondent shall be served with a copy of the petition and all

other pleadings by serving the juvenile's attorney ad litem in accordance with Rule 5 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

(b) Each adult defendant shall be served in the manner provided in the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure with:

(1) A copy of the petition; and

(2) Either a notice of hearing or an order to appear.

9-35-308. Taking into custody.

When a juvenile is taken into protective custody under § 12-18-1001, the person exercising protective custody shall:

(1)(A) Notify the Department of Human Services and make every effort possible to notify the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile's location.

(B) The notification to the custodial parent, noncustodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile shall be in writing and include a notice:

(i) That the juvenile has been taken into foster care;

(ii) Of the name, location, and phone number of the person at the department whom the custodial parent, noncustodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile can contact about the juvenile;

(iii) Of the rights of the juvenile and of the custodial parent, noncustodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile to receive a copy of any petition filed under this subchapter;

(iv) Of the location and telephone number of the court; and

(v) Of the procedure for obtaining a hearing; or

(2) Return the juvenile to his or her home.

9-35-309. Emergency orders.

(a)(1) In a case in which there is probable cause to believe that immediate emergency custody is necessary to protect the health or physical well-being of the juvenile from immediate danger or to prevent the juvenile's removal from the state, the circuit court shall issue an ex parte order for emergency custody to remove the juvenile from the custody of the parent, guardian, or custodian and shall determine the appropriate plan for placement of the juvenile.

(2)(A) In a case in which there is probable cause to believe that an emergency order is necessary to protect the health or physical well-being of the juvenile from immediate danger, the court shall issue an ex parte order to provide specific appropriate safeguards for the protection of the juvenile.

(B) Specific appropriate safeguards shall include without limitation the authority of the circuit court to restrict a legal custodian from:

(i) Having any contact with the juvenile; or

(ii) Removing a juvenile from a placement if the:

(a) Legal custodian placed or allowed the juvenile to remain in that home for more than six (6) months; and

(b) Department of Human Services has no immediate health or physical well-being concerns with the placement.

(3) In a case in which there is probable cause to believe that a juvenile is a dependent juvenile as defined in this subchapter, the court shall issue an ex parte order for emergency custody placing custody of the dependent juvenile with the department.

(b) The emergency order shall include:

(1) Notice to all defendants and respondents named in the petition of the right to a hearing and that a hearing will be held within five (5) business days of the issuance of the ex parte order;

(2) Notice of a defendant's or respondent's right to be represented by counsel;

(3)(A) Notice of a defendant's or respondent's right to obtain appointed counsel, if eligible, and the procedure for obtaining appointed counsel.

(B) A court shall:

(i) Appoint counsel for the parent or custodian from whom legal custody was removed in the ex parte emergency order; and

(ii) Determine eligibility at the probable cause hearing; and

(4) The address and telephone number of the circuit court and the date and time of the probable cause hearing, if known.

(c)(1) Immediate notice of the emergency order shall be given by the petitioner or by the circuit court to the:

(A) Custodial parent, noncustodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile; and

(B) Attorney ad litem who represents the juvenile respondent.

(2) The petitioner shall provide copies of any petition, affidavit, or other pleading filed with or provided to the court in conjunction with the emergency order to the provisionally appointed parent counsel under § 9-35-311 before the probable cause hearing.

(3) All defendants shall be served with the emergency order according to Rule 4 or Rule 5 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure or as otherwise provided by the court.

9-35-310. Probable cause hearing.

(a)(1)(A) The circuit court shall hold a probable cause hearing within five (5) business days of the issuance of the ex parte order to determine if probable cause to issue the emergency order continues to exist.

(B)(i) The hearing shall be limited to the purpose of determining whether probable cause existed to protect the juvenile and to determine whether probable cause still exists to protect the juvenile.

(ii) However, the issues as to custody and delivery of services may be considered by the court and appropriate orders for custody and delivery of services entered by the court.

(iii) If the defendant stipulates that probable cause exists, the only evidence that is presented at the probable cause hearing shall be:

(a) Evidence pertaining to family time; and

(b) Evidence pertaining to services delivered to the family.

(iv) A parent shall not be compelled to testify under any circumstances.

(v) For the sole purpose of the probable cause hearing, the stipulation of a parent that probable cause exists shall also serve as a stipulation to the introduction of the affidavit of the plaintiff.

(2)(A) All other issues, with the exception of custody and services, shall be reserved for hearing by the court at the adjudication hearing, which shall be a separate hearing conducted subsequent to the probable cause hearing.

(B) By agreement of the parties and with the court's approval, the adjudication hearing may be conducted at any time after the probable cause hearing, subject to § 9-35-316(a)(4).

(b) The petitioner shall have the burden of proof by a preponderance of evidence that probable cause exists for continuation of the emergency order.

(c) If the court determines that the juvenile can safely be returned to his or her home pending adjudication and it is in the best interest of the juvenile, the court shall so order.

(d)(1) The court shall set the time and date of the adjudication hearing at the probable cause hearing.

(2) The court or a party or party's attorney, as designated by the court, shall file a written order within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or prior to the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

(e) All probable cause hearings are miscellaneous proceedings as defined in Rule 1101(b)(3) of the Arkansas Rules of Evidence, and the rules of evidence, including without limitation the hearsay rule, Rule 802 of the Arkansas Rules of Evidence, are not applicable.

9-35-311. Right to counsel.

(a)(1)(A) The inquiry concerning the ability of the juvenile to retain counsel shall include a consideration of the juvenile's financial resources and the financial resources of his or her family.

(B) However, the failure of the juvenile's family to retain counsel for the juvenile shall not deprive the juvenile of the right to appointed counsel if required under this section.

(2) After review by the court of an affidavit of financial means completed and verified by the parent of the juvenile and a determination by the court that the parent or juvenile has the ability to pay, the court may order financially able juveniles, parents, guardians, or custodians to pay all or part of reasonable attorney's fees and expenses for representation of a juvenile.

(3) All moneys collected by the circuit clerk under this subsection shall

be retained by the circuit clerk and deposited into a special fund to be known as the "juvenile representation fund".

(4) The court may direct that money from the juvenile representation fund be used in providing counsel for juveniles under this section in a delinquency or family in need of services case.

(5) Any money remaining in the juvenile representation fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to any other fund but shall carry over into the next fiscal year in the juvenile representation fund.

(b) Appointment of counsel shall be made at a time sufficiently in advance of the court appearance to allow adequate preparation by appointed counsel and adequate consultation between the appointed counsel and the client.

(c)(1) The court shall appoint an attorney ad litem who shall meet standards and qualifications established by the Supreme Court to represent the best interest of the juvenile when a dependency-neglect petition is filed or when an emergency ex parte order is entered in a dependency-neglect case, whichever occurs earlier.

(2) The court may appoint an attorney ad litem to represent the best interest of a juvenile involved in any case before the court and shall consider the juvenile's best interest in determining whether to appoint an attorney ad litem.

(3) Each attorney ad litem shall:

(A) File written motions, responses, or objections at all stages of the proceedings when necessary to protect the best interest of the juvenile;

(B) Attend all hearings and participate in all telephone conferences with the court unless excused by the court; and

(C) Present witnesses and exhibits when necessary to protect the juvenile's best interest.

(4) An attorney ad litem shall be provided access to all records relevant to the juvenile's case, including without limitation:

(A) School records;

(B) Medical records;

(C) Court records relating to the juvenile and his or her family; and

(D) Records of the Department of Human Services relating to the juvenile and his or her family to the extent permitted by federal law, including those maintained electronically and in the case management system.

(5)(A) An attorney ad litem shall represent the best interest of the juvenile.

(B) If the juvenile's wishes differ from the attorney ad litem's determination of the juvenile's best interest, the attorney ad litem shall communicate the juvenile's wishes to the court in addition to presenting his or her determination of the juvenile's best interest.

(d)(1) The court may appoint a volunteer court-appointed special advocate from a program that shall meet all state and national court-appointed special advocate standards to advocate for the best interest of juveniles in dependency-neglect proceedings.

(2) A court-appointed special advocate shall not be assigned a case before:

(A) Completing a training program in compliance with National CASA/GAL Association for Children and state standards; and

(B) Being approved by the local court-appointed special advocate program, which will include appropriate criminal background and child abuse registry checks.

(3) Each court-appointed special advocate shall:

(A)(i) Investigate the case to which he or she is assigned to provide independent factual information to the court through the attorney ad litem, court testimony, or court reports.

(ii) The court-appointed special advocate may testify if called as a witness.

(iii) When the court-appointed special advocate prepares a written report for the court, the advocate shall provide all parties or the attorney of record with a copy of the written report seven (7) business days before the relevant hearing; and

(B) Monitor the case to which he or she is assigned to ensure compliance with the court's orders.

(4) Upon presentation of an order of appointment, a court-appointed special advocate shall be provided access to all records relevant to the juvenile's case, including without limitation:

(A) School records;

(B) Medical records;

(C) Court records relating to the juvenile and his or her family; and

(D) Department records, to the extent permitted by federal law, including those maintained electronically and in the Children's Reporting and Information System.

(5) A court-appointed special advocate is not a party to the case to which he or she is assigned and shall not call witnesses or examine witnesses.

(6) A court-appointed special advocate shall not be liable for damages for personal injury or property damage pursuant to the Arkansas Volunteer Immunity Act, § 16-6-101 et seq.

(7) Except as provided in this subsection, a court-appointed special advocate shall not disclose any confidential information or reports to anyone except as ordered by the court or otherwise provided by law.

(e)(1)(A) All parents and custodians have a right to counsel in all dependency-neglect proceedings.

(B) In all dependency-neglect proceedings that set out to remove legal custody from a parent or custodian:

(i) The parent or custodian from whom custody was removed shall have the right to be appointed counsel; and

(ii) The court may appoint an attorney to a:

(a)(1) Noncustodial parent if the court determines that the noncustodial parent has demonstrated a significant custodial relationship with the juvenile.

(2) A determination that the noncustodial parent has demonstrated a significant custodial relationship with the juvenile shall be made at the first appearance of the noncustodial parent in the matter; or

(b)(1) Putative parent if the putative parent has demonstrated significant contact with the juvenile and the court finds the rights of the putative parent have attached.

(2) A determination on whether the rights of the putative parent have attached shall be made at the first appearance of the putative parent in the matter.

(3) Counsel shall not be appointed to a putative parent if the:

(A) Court finds that the putative parent has not demonstrated significant contact with the juvenile;

(B) Court finds that the rights of the putative parent have not attached; or

(C) The putative parent does not appear in the matter.

(4) If a putative parent fails to demonstrate significant contacts with the juvenile, the court shall inform the putative parent on the following:

(A) How to be considered a parent under this chapter;

(B) The eligibility requirements for being appointed counsel; and

(C) The process for requesting the appointment of counsel if the putative parent meets the eligibility requirements for being appointed counsel.

(C) Counsel shall not be appointed to a party in a dependency-neglect proceeding unless:

(i) The court finds that the parent, putative parent, or custodian of the juvenile is indigent; and

(ii) Counsel is requested by the parent, putative parent, or custodian of the juvenile after the parent, putative parent, or custodian is informed of his or her right to be appointed counsel.

(D)(i) Parents, putative parents, and custodians shall be advised in the dependency-neglect petition or the ex parte emergency order, whichever is sooner, and at the first appearance before the court, of the right to counsel and the right to appointed counsel, if eligible.

(ii) As required under § 9-35-309, a circuit court shall appoint counsel in an ex parte emergency order and shall determine eligibility at the commencement of the probable cause hearing.

(E)(i) All parents shall have the right to be appointed counsel in termination of parental rights hearings.

(ii) The court shall appoint counsel if the court makes a finding that the parent is indigent and counsel is requested by the parent.

(F) In a dependency-neglect proceeding naming a minor parent as a defendant, the court shall appoint a qualified parent counsel for the minor parent.

(2) If at the permanency planning hearing or at any time the court establishes the goal of adoption and counsel has not yet been appointed for a parent, the court shall appoint counsel to represent the parent as provided by subdivision (e)(1)(E) of this section.

(3)(A) Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, putative parents do not have a right to appointed counsel in dependency-neglect proceedings.

(B) A putative parent may be appointed counsel for a termination of parental rights proceeding if the court finds the following on the record:

(i) The putative parent is indigent;

(ii) The putative parent has established significant contacts with the juvenile so that putative rights attach;

(iii) Due process requires appointment of counsel for a full and fair hearing for the putative parent in the termination hearing; and

(iv) The putative parent requested counsel.

(4)(A) A putative parent has the burden to prove paternity and significant contacts with the child.

(B) The court shall make the findings required in subdivision (e)(3) of this section to determine whether a putative parent is entitled to appointed counsel at the termination hearing.

(C)(i) The termination petition shall include the putative parent as provided under § 9-35-306(c)(2)(C).

(ii) The court shall appoint counsel subject to subdivision (e)(3) of this section for the putative parent at any time the court establishes adoption as the case goal with a termination of parental rights petition to be filed.

(5)(A) The court shall order financially able parents or custodians to pay all or part of reasonable attorney's fees and expenses for court-appointed representation after review by the court of an affidavit of financial means completed and verified by the parent or custodian and a determination by the court of an ability to pay.

(B)(i) All moneys collected by the clerk under this subsection shall be retained by the clerk and deposited into a special fund to be known as the "Juvenile Court Representation Fund".

(ii) The court may direct that money from the fund be used in providing counsel for indigent parents or custodians at the trial level in a dependency-neglect proceeding.

(iii) Upon a determination of indigency and a finding by

the court that the fund does not have sufficient funds to pay reasonable attorney's fees and expenses incurred at the trial court level and state funds have been exhausted, the court may order the county to pay these reasonable fees and expenses until the state provides funding for counsel.

(6)(A) Appointment of counsel shall be made at a time sufficiently in advance of the court appearance to allow adequate preparation by appointed counsel and adequate consultation between the appointed counsel and the client.

(B)(i) When the first appearance before the court is a probable cause hearing to remove custody under § 9-35-310, parents shall be appointed a parent counsel in a timely manner for meaningful representation until eligibility for appointed counsel is determined by the court under subdivision (e)(1)(B) of this section.

(ii) If in the interest of time or availability of qualified parent counsel it becomes necessary for a provisional parent counsel or counsel other than the parent counsel originally appointed under subdivision (e)(1)(B) of this section, a substitute parent counsel shall be appointed.

(7) The attorney for the parent or custodian shall be provided access to all records relevant to the juvenile's case, including without limitation school records, medical records, all court records relating to the juvenile and his or her family, and department records relating to the juvenile and his or her family, including those maintained electronically and in the Children's Reporting and Information System, to which the parent or custodian is entitled under state and federal law.

(8)(A) In all cases where a court has determined that appointed counsel for an indigent parent or custodian is necessary under this subsection, the court shall appoint counsel in compliance with federal law and Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 15.

(B) When a court orders payment of funds for parent counsel on behalf of an indigent parent or custodian from a state contract, the court shall make written findings in the appointment order in compliance with this section.

9-35-312. Hearings — Generally.

(a)(1) The defendant need not file a written responsive pleading in order to be heard by the court.

(2) If not appointed by the court in an order provided to all parties, counsel shall file a notice of appearance immediately upon acceptance of representation, with a copy to be served on the petitioner and all parties.

(b) At the time set for hearing, the court may:

(1) Proceed to hear the case only if the juvenile is present or excused for good cause by the court; or

(2) Continue the case upon determination that the presence of an adult defendant is necessary.

(c)(1) Hearings under this subchapter shall be in a court of record.

(2) A record of all proceedings shall be kept in the same manner as other proceedings of circuit court and in accordance with rules promulgated by the

Supreme Court.

(d)(1) Unless otherwise indicated, the Arkansas Rules of Evidence shall apply.

(2)(A) Upon motion of any party, the court may order that the father, mother, and child submit to scientific testing for drug or alcohol abuse.

(B) A written report of the test results prepared by the person conducting the test, or by a person under whose supervision or direction the test and analysis have been performed, certified by an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by him or her before a notary public, may be introduced in evidence without calling the person as a witness unless a motion challenging the test procedures or results has been filed within thirty (30) days before the hearing and bond is posted in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of the person's appearance to testify.

(C)(i) If contested, documentation of the chain of custody of samples taken from a test subject shall be verified by affidavit of one (1) person's witnessing the procedure or extraction, packaging, and mailing of the sample and by one (1) person's signing for the sample at the place where the sample is subject to the testing procedure.

(ii) Submission of the affidavits along with the submission of the test results shall be competent evidence to establish the chain of custody of those specimens.

(D) When a court orders scientific testing for drug or alcohol abuse and one (1) of the parties refuses to submit to the testing, that refusal shall be disclosed at trial and may be considered civil contempt of court.

(e) Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure shall apply to all proceedings.

(f) All parties shall have the right to compel attendance of witnesses in accordance with the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

(g)(1) The petitioner in all proceedings shall bear the burden of presenting the case at hearings.

(2)(A) The following burdens of proof shall apply:

(i) Proof by a preponderance of the evidence in dependency-neglect proceedings, except if subject to the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, 25 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025; and

(ii) Proof by clear and convincing evidence for hearings to terminate parental rights, except if subject to the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, 25 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025, and in hearings to determine whether or not reunification services shall be provided.

(B) If the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, 25 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025, applies, the following burdens of proof shall apply:

(i) Clear and convincing evidence in probable cause, adjudication, review, and permanency planning hearings; and

(ii) Beyond a reasonable doubt in termination of parental rights hearings that are subject to the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, 25 U.S.C. §

1901 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025.

(h)(1)(A) Except as provided by this section, all hearings involving allegations and reports of child maltreatment and all hearings involving cases of children in foster care shall be closed.

(B)(i) A member of the General Assembly may attend any hearing held under this subchapter, including without limitation a closed hearing, unless the court excludes the member of the General Assembly based on the:

(a) Best interest of the child; or

(b) Court's authority under the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure or the Arkansas Rules of Evidence.

(ii) Except as otherwise provided by law, a member of the General Assembly who attends a hearing in accordance with subdivision (h)(1)(B)(i) of this section shall not disclose information obtained during his or her attendance at the hearing.

(C)(i)(a) A Child Welfare Ombudsman may attend a hearing held under this subchapter, including without limitation a closed hearing.

(b) However, a court may exclude the Child Welfare Ombudsman from a hearing if:

(1) It is in the best interest of the child; or

(2) The reason for the exclusion is based on the authority of the court under the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure or the Arkansas Rules of Evidence.

(ii) Unless otherwise allowed by law, the Child Welfare Ombudsman shall not disclose information that he or she obtains through his or her attendance at a hearing held under this subchapter.

(D)(i) A relative, fictive kin, or individual with a connection to the family involved in a dependency-neglect proceeding may attend a hearing unless the court determines:

(a) The best interest of the child requires the relative, fictive kin, or individual with a connection to the family involved in the dependency-neglect proceeding to be excluded from the hearing; or

(b) It is within the authority of the court under the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure or the Arkansas Rules of Evidence to exclude the relative, fictive kin, or individual with a connection to the family involved in the dependency-neglect proceeding from the hearing.

(ii) The court shall confirm the identity of each relative, fictive kin, or individual with a connection to the family involved in the dependency-neglect proceeding to determine if the relative, fictive kin, or individual with a connection to the family involved in the dependency-neglect proceeding should be excluded from the hearing.

(iii) A relative, fictive kin, or individual with a connection to the family involved in the dependency-neglect proceeding who is permitted to attend a hearing shall not disclose any information obtained during the hearing.

(E)(i) The court may allow an individual with an interest in

attending a closed hearing in a dependency-neglect proceeding to attend the hearing if:

(a) It is in the best interest of the child; and

(b) The individual demonstrates a sincere and legitimate need to attend the hearing as determined by the court.

(ii) An individual who attends a hearing in accordance with subdivision (h)(1)(E)(i) of this section shall not disclose any information obtained during the hearing.

(F) An individual who discloses information in violation of subdivision (h)(1)(D)(iii) and subdivision (h)(1)(E)(ii) of this section is guilty of a Class C misdemeanor.

(2) All other hearings may be closed within the discretion of the court, except that in adoption cases the hearings shall be closed as provided in the Revised Uniform Adoption Act, § 9-9-201 et seq.

(i)(1) A court shall set a hearing to address the entry of a written order if:

(A) The written order is not provided to the court for entry within the time specified under this subchapter; and

(B) A party files a motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order.

(2)(A) The court shall conduct a hearing to address the entry of the written order within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(B) A hearing to address the entry of a written order may be the next scheduled hearing in the proceeding if the hearing to address the entry of the written order is being held within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(C) The court is not required to conduct a hearing to address the entry of a written order if the written order is submitted to the court.

(3) The court shall reassign the preparation of the written order as needed.

9-35-313. Notice to nonparties.

(a)(1) If a proceeding is scheduled regarding a juvenile in the custody of the Department of Human Services and the juvenile has one (1) or more foster parents or preadoptive parents, the department shall provide notice to each of the juvenile's foster parents or preadoptive parents.

(2) The original petitioner in a juvenile case shall provide notice of a proceeding regarding a juvenile in the custody of the department to a relative caregiver of the juvenile.

(b)(1) The court shall allow a foster parent, preadoptive parent, or relative caregiver an opportunity to be heard in any proceeding held regarding a juvenile in the care of the foster parent, preadoptive parent, or relative caregiver.

(2) However, a foster parent, preadoptive parent, or relative caregiver may only be heard under subdivision (b)(1) of this section in the capacity of a

witness.

(c)(1) A foster parent, preadoptive parent, or a relative caregiver shall not be made a party to a proceeding:

(A) Solely on the basis that he or she is entitled to notice and the opportunity to be heard; or

(B) If reunification remains the goal of the case.

(2) A foster parent, adoptive parent, preadoptive parent, or relative caregiver may not offer evidence to the court unless he or she is called as a witness.

(d)(1) A grandparent shall be entitled to notice and shall be granted an opportunity to be heard in any dependency-neglect proceeding involving a grandchild who is twelve (12) months of age or younger when:

(A) The grandchild resides with the grandparent for at least six (6) continuous months before the grandchild reached twelve (12) months of age;

(B) The grandparent was the primary caregiver for and financial supporter of the grandchild during the time the grandchild resided with the grandparent; and

(C) The continuous custody under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this section occurred within one (1) year of the date that the child custody proceeding was initiated.

(2) A grandparent shall be entitled to notice and shall be granted an opportunity to be heard in any dependency-neglect proceeding involving a grandchild who is twelve (12) months of age or older when:

(A) The grandchild resides with this grandparent for at least one (1) continuous year, regardless of the grandchild's age;

(B) The grandparent was the primary caregiver for and financial supporter of the grandchild during the time the grandchild resided with the grandparent; and

(C) The continuous custody under subdivision (d)(2)(A) occurred within one (1) year of the date that the child custody proceeding was initiated.

(3) As used in this subsection, "grandparent" does not mean a parent of a putative father of a juvenile.

9-35-314. Putative parents.

(a)(1) The Department of Human Services shall make diligent efforts to identify putative parents in a dependency-neglect proceeding, including without limitation checking the Putative Father Registry.

(b)(1)(A) If the petitioner has named and served a putative parent under this section and § 9-35-306, the court shall resolve the:

(i) Party status of a putative parent; and

(ii) Rights of the putative parent as a putative father, if the putative father's rights have attached.

(B) A court may consider the termination of the rights of a putative parent under § 9-35-325 if the:

(i) Court finds that the putative parent has established

significant contacts; and

(ii) Rights of the putative parent as a putative father have attached.

(2) The court shall provide a putative parent the opportunity to be heard regarding his or her:

(A) Efforts to establish paternity; and

(B) Significant contacts with the juvenile involved in the dependency-neglect proceedings.

(3)(A) The court may order deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing at any time.

(B) A court may establish paternity or determine whether a putative parent is a parent as defined under § 9-35-102 regardless of whether a deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) test was ordered or performed.

(C) If there is more than one (1) putative parent of the juvenile, the court shall order a deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) test of each identified putative parent to determine the biological parent of the juvenile.

(D) A deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) test establishing a putative parent as the biological parent of a juvenile is sufficient evidence for the court to:

(i) Adjudicate paternity;

(ii) Establish that the putative parent is a parent for the purposes of this subchapter; and

(iii) Enter a decree of paternity.

(4) A putative parent has the burden to prove paternity and significant contacts with the juvenile.

(c)(1) Except as provided under § 9-35-306, a putative parent shall be named as a party if the circuit court:

(A)(i) Has determined that the putative parent has established paternity; and

(ii) Enters an order establishing the putative parent as a parent for the purposes of this subchapter and directing that the parent be added to the case as a party defendant; or

(B)(i) Has determined that the putative parent has established significant contacts with the juvenile; and

(ii) Enters an order finding that the rights of the putative parent have attached and directing that the parent shall be added to the case as a party defendant.

(2)(A) If the petitioner has named and served a putative parent under this section and § 9-35-306 and the circuit court finds that the putative parent has established paternity, the court shall:

(i) Enter an order establishing the putative parent as a parent for the purposes of this subchapter; and

(ii) Maintain the parent as a party defendant.

(B) If the petitioner has named and served a putative parent under this section and § 9-35-306 and the circuit court finds that the putative parent

has established significant contacts with the juvenile, the court shall:

(i) Enter an order stating that the rights of the putative parent have attached; and

(ii) Maintain the putative parent as a party defendant.

(3) If the circuit court finds that the putative parent, after being given notice and opportunity to be heard, has not established paternity or significant contacts with the juvenile, the circuit court shall:

(A) Find that the:

(i) Putative parent is not a parent for the purposes of this subchapter; and

(ii) Rights of the putative parent have not attached; and

(B) Dismiss the putative parent from the case and enter an order finding that no further notice, including without limitation notice of an adoption petition concerning the juvenile, is required to be provided to the putative parent.

(d) The rights of a putative parent to appointed counsel are subject to § 9-35-311.

9-35-315. Family time.

(a)(1) Unsupervised family time may occur between a juvenile and a parent if:

(A) The court determines that the health and safety of the juvenile can be adequately protected; and

(B) It is in the best interest of the child.

(2) Unless the court has restricted unsupervised family time, the Department of Human Services may allow unsupervised family time between a juvenile and a parent at any time.

(b)(1) The petitioner has the burden of proving at every hearing that unsupervised family time is not in the best interest of a child.

(2) If the court determines that unsupervised family time between a juvenile and a parent is not in the best interest of the child, family time between the juvenile and the parent shall be supervised.

(c)(1) A rebuttable presumption that unsupervised family time is in the best interest of the juvenile applies at every hearing.

(2) The burden of proof to rebut the presumption in subdivision (c)(1) of this section is proof by a preponderance of the evidence.

(d) The court may consider the preferences of the juvenile regarding family time if the juvenile is of a sufficient age and capacity to reason, regardless of the juvenile's chronological age.

(e)(1) If the court orders supervised family time, the parent from whom custody of the juvenile has been removed shall receive a minimum of four (4) hours of supervised family time per week.

(2) The court may order less than four (4) hours of supervised family time if the court determines that the supervised family time:

(A) Is not in the best interest of the juvenile; or

(B) Will impose an extreme hardship on one (1) of the parties.

(f)(1) A parent testing positive for a drug on a drug test is an insufficient reason to deny the parent family time with the juvenile if the court has ordered family time between the parent and a juvenile.

(2) Family time that was ordered by the court may be canceled if, at the time that family time between the parent and a juvenile occurs, the parent:

(A) Is under the influence of drugs or alcohol;

(B) Exhibits behavior that may create an unsafe environment for a juvenile; or

(C) Appears to be actively impaired.

(g) A relative or fictive kin may transport a juvenile to and from family time with a parent if:

(1) It is in the best interest of a child;

(2) The relative or fictive kin submits to a:

(A) Background check; and

(B) Child maltreatment registry check; and

(3) The relative or fictive kin meets the driving requirements established by the department.

9-35-316. Adjudication hearing.

(a)(1)(A) An adjudication hearing shall be held to determine whether the allegations in a petition are substantiated by the proof.

(B)(i) If the court finds that the juvenile is dependent-neglected, the court shall determine whether a noncustodial parent contributed to the dependency-neglect and whether the noncustodial parent is a fit parent for purposes of custody or family time.

(ii) A noncustodial parent in subdivision (a)(1)(B)(i) of this section is presumed to be a fit parent.

(iii)(a) If no earlier court order has been entered into evidence concerning custody or family time with the noncustodial parent of the juvenile subject to the dependency-neglect petition, the petitioner shall, and any party may, provide evidence to the court whether the noncustodial parent is unfit for purposes of custody or family time.

(b) The petitioner shall provide evidence as to whether the noncustodial parent contributed to the dependency-neglect.

(iv)(a) The court may transfer temporary custody or permanent custody to the noncustodial parent after a review of evidence and a finding that it is in the best interest of the juvenile to transfer custody, or the court may order family time with the noncustodial parent.

(b) An order of transfer of custody to the noncustodial parent does not relieve the Department of Human Services of the responsibility to provide services to the parent from whom custody was removed, unless the court enters an order to relieve the department of the responsibility.

(c) A home study is not required to transfer

custody to a parent of the juvenile.

(v) If the court determines that the child cannot safely be placed in the custody of the noncustodial parent, the court shall make specific findings of fact regarding the safety factors that need to be corrected by the noncustodial parent before placement or family time with the juvenile.

(2) Unless the court finds that a removal occurred due to an emergency and the agency had no prior contact with the family or the child, evidence shall be presented to the court regarding all prior contact between the agency and the juvenile or the family before a finding of reasonable efforts to prevent removal by the department.

(3) A finding of reasonable efforts to prevent removal of the juvenile is void if the court determines that the department failed to disclose all prior contact between the agency and juvenile or the family before the finding.

(4)(A) The dependency-neglect adjudication hearing shall be held within thirty (30) days after the probable cause hearing under § 9-35-310.

(B) On a motion of the court or any party, the court may continue the adjudication hearing up to sixty (60) days after the removal for good cause shown.

(C)(i) The court may continue an adjudication hearing beyond the sixty-day limitation provided in subdivision (a)(4)(B) of this section in extraordinary circumstances.

(ii) As used in this subdivision (a)(4)(C), "extraordinary circumstances" includes without limitation the following circumstances:

(a) The Supreme Court orders the suspension of in-person court proceedings; and

(b) One (1) of the following has occurred:

(1) The President of the United States has declared a national emergency; or

(2) The Governor has declared a state of emergency or a statewide public health emergency.

(5) If the juvenile has previously been adjudicated a dependent-neglected juvenile in the same case in which a motion for a change of custody has been filed to remove the juvenile from the custody of a parent, a subsequent adjudication is required if the ground for the removal is not the same as the ground previously adjudicated.

(b)(1) Following an adjudication in which a juvenile is found to be dependent-neglected, the court may order any studies, evaluations, or predisposition reports, if needed, that bear on disposition.

(2)(A) All reports under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be provided in writing to all parties and counsel at least two (2) days before the disposition hearing.

(B) All parties shall be given a fair opportunity to controvert any parts of reports under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

(c) A written adjudication order shall be filed by the court, or by a party or

party's attorney as designated by the court, within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or before the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-35-317. Limitations on detention.

(a)(1) A juvenile who is alleged to be or who has been adjudicated either dependent-neglected or a member of a family in need of services shall not be placed or detained in a secure detention facility, in a facility utilized for the detention of alleged or adjudicated delinquent juveniles, or in a facility utilized for the detention of adults held for, charged with, or convicted of a crime except that a juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility when he or she has been away from home for more than twenty-four (24) hours and when the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives beyond fifty miles (50 mi.) from the juvenile or out of state.

(2) The juvenile may be held in custody in a juvenile detention facility for purposes of identification, processing, or arranging for release or transfer to an alternative facility.

(3) The period of holding shall be limited to the minimum time necessary to complete the actions listed in subdivision (a)(2) of this section and shall not occur in any facility utilized for incarceration of adults.

(b)(1) A juvenile held under subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall be separated from detained juveniles charged or held for delinquency.

(2) A juvenile shall not be held under subdivision (a)(1) of this section for more than six (6) hours if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives in the state or twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays, if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives out of state.

9-35-318. Removal of juvenile.

(a) Before a circuit court may order any dependent-neglected juvenile or family in need of services juvenile removed from the custody of his or her parent, guardian, or custodian and placed with the Department of Human Services or other licensed agency responsible for the care of juveniles or with a relative or other individual, the court shall order family services appropriate to prevent removal unless the health and safety of the juvenile warrant immediate removal for the protection of the juvenile.

(b) When the court orders a dependent-neglected juvenile removed from the custody of a parent, guardian, or custodian and placed in the custody of the department or other licensed agency responsible for the care of juveniles or with a relative or other individual, the court shall make these specific findings in the order:

(1) In the initial order of removal, the court must find whether:

(A) It is contrary to the welfare of the juvenile to remain at home;

(B) The removal and the reasons for the removal of the juvenile is necessary to protect the health and safety of the juvenile; and

(C) The removal is in the best interest of the juvenile; and

(2) Within sixty (60) days of removal, the court must find:

(A) Which family services were made available to the family before the removal of the juvenile;

(B) What efforts were made to provide those family services relevant to the needs of the family before the removal of the juvenile, taking into consideration whether or not the juvenile could safely remain at home while family services were provided;

(C) Why efforts made to provide the family services described did not prevent the removal of the juvenile; and

(D) Whether efforts made to prevent the removal of the juvenile were reasonable, based upon the needs of the family and the juvenile.

(c) When the state agency's first contact with the family has occurred during an emergency in which the juvenile could not safely remain at home, even with reasonable services being provided, the responsible state agency shall be deemed to have made reasonable efforts to prevent or eliminate the need for removal.

(d) When the court finds that the department's preventive or reunification efforts have not been reasonable, but further preventive or reunification efforts could not permit the juvenile to remain safely at home, the court may authorize or continue the removal of the juvenile but shall note the failure by the department in the record of the case.

(e)(1) In all instances of removal of a juvenile from the home of his or her parent, guardian, or custodian by a court, the court shall set forth in a written order:

(A) The evidence supporting the decision to remove;

(B) The facts regarding the need for removal; and

(C) The findings required by this section.

(2) The written findings and order shall be filed by the court or by a party or party's attorney as designated by the court within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing at which removal is ordered or prior to the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

(f) Within one (1) year from the date of removal of the juvenile and annually thereafter, the court shall determine whether the department has made reasonable efforts to obtain permanency for the juvenile.

(g)(1) If the court transfers custody of a child to the department, the court shall issue an order containing the following determinations regarding the educational issues of the child and whether the parent or guardian of the child may:

(A) Have access to the child's school records;

(B) Obtain information on the current placement of the child, including the name and address of the child's foster parent or provider, if the parent or guardian has access to the child's school records; and

(C) Participate in school conferences or similar activities at the child's school.

(2) If the court transfers custody of a child to the department, the court may appoint an individual to consent to an initial evaluation of the child and serve as the child's surrogate parent under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025.

9-35-319. Disposition hearing.

(a) If the circuit court finds that the petition has been substantiated by the proof at the adjudication hearing, a disposition hearing shall be held for the court to enter orders consistent with the disposition alternatives.

(b) In dependency-neglect proceedings, the disposition hearing may be held immediately following or concurrent with the adjudication hearing but in any event shall be held no more than fourteen (14) days following the adjudication hearing.

(c) In initially considering the disposition alternatives and at any subsequent hearing, the court shall give preference to the least restrictive disposition consistent with the best interests and welfare of the juvenile and the public.

(d) In dependency-neglect cases, a written disposition order shall be filed by the court, or by a party or party's attorney as designated by the court, within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or prior to the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-35-320. Disposition — Dependent-neglected — Generally.

(a) If a juvenile is found to be dependent-neglected, the circuit court may enter an order making any of the following dispositions:

(1) Order family services;

(2)(A) If it is in the best interest of the juvenile, transfer custody of the juvenile to the Department of Human Services, to another licensed agency responsible for the care of juveniles, or to a relative or other individual.

(B) If the court grants custody of the juvenile to the department, the juvenile shall be placed in a licensed or approved foster home, shelter, or facility, or an exempt child welfare agency as defined under § 9-28-402.

(C) A juvenile in the custody of the department is “awaiting foster care placement”, as that term is used in the definition of “homeless children and youths” in the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. § 11434a(2), as it existed on January 1, 2025, if the juvenile:

(i) Is placed in a shelter, facility, or other short-term placement with a plan of moving the juvenile within ninety (90) days;

(ii) Is transferred to an emergency placement to protect the juvenile's health or welfare;

(iii) Is placed in a provisional foster home as defined under § 9-28-402;

(iv) Has experienced three (3) or more placements within a twelve-month period; or

(v) Is placed in a regular foster home or other placement that is not directly related to the permanency goal identified in the case plan required under § 9-28-111;

(3)(A) Order that the parent, both parents, or the guardian of the juvenile attend a court-ordered parental responsibility training program, if available, and participate in a juvenile drug court program.

(B) The court may make reasonable orders requiring proof of

completion of such a training program within a certain time period and payment of a fee covering the cost of the training program;

(4) Determine the most appropriate goal of the case; and

(5) Order that the parent, both parents, or the guardian or custodian of the juvenile participate in a family treatment specialty court program under § 9-27-801 et seq., if available.

(b) Such an order of custody shall supersede an existing court order of custody and shall remain in full force and effect until a subsequent order of custody is entered by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(c) The court may provide that any violation of its orders shall subject any party in violation to contempt sanctions.

9-35-321. Disposition — Dependent-neglected — Limitations.

(a)(1) At least five (5) working days before ordering the Department of Human Services, excluding community-based providers, to provide or pay for family services in any case in which the department is not a party, the circuit court shall fax a written notice of intent to the Secretary of the Department of Human Services and to the attorney of the local Office of Chief Counsel of the Department of Human Services.

(2) At any hearing in which the department is ordered to provide family services, the court shall provide the department with the opportunity to be heard.

(3) Failure to provide at least five (5) working days' notice to the department renders any part of the order pertaining to the department void.

(b)(1) For purposes of this section, the court shall not specify a particular provider for placement or family services if the department is the payor or provider.

(2)(A) The court may order a child to be placed or to remain in a placement if the court finds the placement is in the best interest of the child after hearing evidence from all parties.

(B) A court may also order a child into a licensed or approved placement after a hearing in which the court makes a finding that it is in the best interest of the child based on bona fide consideration of evidence and recommendations from all the parties.

(C) The court shall not order a child to be placed or remain in a placement in a foster home that has been closed or suspended by a child placement agency.

(D)(i) If the health or welfare of a child is in immediate danger while in a court-ordered placement, the department may immediately remove the child from the court-ordered placement.

(ii) The department shall notify all parties within twenty-four (24) hours of the change in placement under subdivision (b)(2)(D)(i) of this section.

(iii) A party may request a hearing on the change in placement made under subdivision (b)(2)(D)(ii) of this section, and the hearing shall be held within five (5) business days of receiving the request.

(c)(1) In all cases in which family services are ordered, the court shall determine the ability of the parent, guardian, or custodian to pay, in whole or in part, for these family services.

(2) The determination of ability to pay and the evidence supporting it shall be made in writing in the order ordering family services.

(3) If the court determines that the parent, guardian, or custodian is able to pay, in whole or in part, for the family services, the court shall enter a written order setting forth the amount the parent, guardian, or custodian is able to pay for the family services ordered and order the parent, guardian, or custodian to pay the amount periodically to the provider from whom family services are received.

(d)(1) Custody of a juvenile may be transferred to a relative or other individual only after a home study of the placement is conducted by the department or by a licensed social worker who is approved to do home studies and submitted to the court in writing and the court determines that the placement is in the best interest of the juvenile.

(2) A home study is not required for a parent of a juvenile.

(e)(1)(A) The court shall enter an order transferring custody of a juvenile in a dependency-neglect case only after determining that reasonable efforts have been made by the department to deliver family services designed to prevent the need for out-of-home placement and that the need for out-of-home placement exists.

(B) The juvenile's health and safety shall be the paramount concern of the court in determining if the department could have made reasonable efforts to prevent the juvenile's removal.

(2) If the court finds that reasonable efforts to deliver family services could have been made with the juvenile safely remaining at home but were not made, the court may:

(A) Dismiss the petition;

(B) Order family services reasonably calculated to prevent the need for out-of-home placement; or

(C) Transfer custody of the juvenile despite the lack of reasonable efforts by the department to prevent the need for out-of-home placement if the transfer is necessary:

(i) To protect the juvenile's health and safety; or

(ii) To prevent the removal of the juvenile from the jurisdiction of the court.

(f) In a case of medical neglect involving a child's receiving treatment through prayer alone in accordance with a religious method of healing in lieu of medical care, the adjudication order shall be limited to:

(1) Preventing or remedying serious harm to the child; or

(2) Preventing the withholding of medically indicated treatment from a child with a life-threatening condition.

(g) A court shall not commit a juvenile found solely in criminal contempt to the Division of Youth Services.

(h) For purposes of this section, the court shall not order the department to

expend or forward Social Security benefits for which the department is payee.

9-35-322. Limitations on detention.

(a) A juvenile who is alleged to be or who has been adjudicated either dependent-neglected shall not be placed or detained in a secure detention facility, in a facility utilized for the detention of alleged or adjudicated delinquent juveniles, or in a facility utilized for the detention of adults held for, charged with, or convicted of a crime except:

(1)(A) A juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility when he or she has been away from home for more than twenty-four (24) hours and when the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives beyond a fifty-mile driving distance or out of state.

(B)(i) The juvenile may be held in custody in a juvenile detention facility for purposes of identification, processing, or arranging for release or transfer to an alternative facility.

(ii) The holding shall be limited to the minimum time necessary to complete these actions and shall not occur in any facility utilized for incarceration of adults.

(C)(i) A juvenile held under this subdivision (a)(1) shall be separated from detained juveniles charged or held for delinquency.

(ii) A juvenile may not be held under this subdivision (a)(1) for more than six (6) hours if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives in the state or twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays, if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives out of state; and

(2)(A) An adjudicated-family-in-need-of-services juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility when the court finds that the juvenile violated a valid court order.

(B)(i) For the purposes of this subdivision (a)(2), a valid court order shall include any order of a circuit court regarding a juvenile who has been brought before the court and made subject to a court order.

(ii) The juvenile who is the subject of the order shall receive full due process rights.

(C)(i) A juvenile held under this subdivision (a)(2) shall be separated from detained juveniles charged or held for delinquency.

(ii) The holding shall not occur in any facility utilized for incarceration of adults.

(b) A juvenile shall not be placed or confined in a jail or lock-up used for the detention of adults except under the following circumstances:

(1) A juvenile who has been formally transferred from the juvenile division of circuit court to the criminal division of circuit court and against whom felony charges have been filed or a juvenile whom the prosecuting attorney has the discretion to charge in circuit court and to prosecute as an adult and against whom the circuit court's jurisdiction has been invoked by the filing of felony charges may be held in an adult jail or lock-up;

(2)(A) A juvenile alleged to have committed a delinquent act may be held in an adult jail or lock-up for up to six (6) hours for purposes of identification, processing, or arranging for release or transfer to an alternative facility, provided that he or she is separated by sight and sound from adults who are pretrial detainees or convicted persons.

(B) A holding for those purposes shall be limited to the minimum time necessary and shall not include travel time for transporting the juvenile to the alternative facility; or

(3)(A) A juvenile alleged to have committed a delinquent act who is awaiting an initial appearance before a judge may be held in an adult jail or lock-up for up to twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays, provided the following conditions exist:

(i) The alleged act would be a misdemeanor or a felony if committed by an adult or is a violation of § 5-73-119;

(ii) The geographical area having jurisdiction over the juvenile is outside a metropolitan statistical area pursuant to the current designation of the United States Bureau of the Census;

(iii) No acceptable alternative placement for the juvenile exists; and

(iv) The juvenile is separated by sight and sound from adults who are pretrial detainees or convicted persons.

(B)(i) A juvenile awaiting an initial appearance and being held in an adult jail or lock-up pursuant to the twenty-four-hour exception, as provided in subdivision (b)(3)(A) of this section, may be held for an additional period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours, provided that the following conditions exist:

(a) The conditions of distance to be traveled or the lack of highway, road, or other ground transportation does not allow for court appearances within twenty-four (24) hours; and

(b) All the conditions in subdivision (b)(3)(A) of this section exist.

(ii) Criteria will be adopted by the Governor or his or her designee to establish what distance, highway or road conditions, or ground transportation limitations will provide a basis for holding a juvenile in an adult jail or lock-up under this exception.

(c) Provided that the facilities are designed and used in accordance with federal and state guidelines and restrictions, nothing in this subchapter is intended to prohibit the use of juvenile detention facilities that are attached to or adjacent to adult jails or lock-ups.

(d) A detention facility shall not release a serious offender for a less serious offender except by order of the judge who committed the more serious offender.

9-35-323. Six-month reviews required.

(a)(1) The court shall review every case of dependency-neglect when:

(A) A juvenile is placed by the court in the custody of the

Department of Human Services or in another out-of-home placement until there is a permanent order of custody, guardianship, or other permanent placement for the juvenile; or

(B) A juvenile is returned to the parent from whom the child was removed, another fit parent, guardian, or custodian and the court has not discontinued orders for family services.

(2)(A) The first six-month review shall be held no later than six (6) months from the date of the original out-of-home placement of the child and shall be scheduled by the court following the adjudication and disposition hearing.

(B) A dependency-neglect case shall be reviewed every six (6) months thereafter until permanency is achieved.

(3) A six-month review hearing shall not be required for a juvenile who:

(A) Is over eighteen (18) years of age; and

(B) Has elected to remain in extended foster care or to return to extended foster care under § 9-35-302(a)(1)(A)(ii).

(b) The court may require a dependency-neglect case to be reviewed before the sixth-month review hearing, and the court shall announce the date, time, and place of the hearing.

(c) At any time during the pendency of any case of dependency-neglect in which an out-of-home placement has occurred, any party may request the court to review the case, and the party requesting the hearing shall provide reasonable notice to all parties.

(d) At any time during the course of a case, the department, the attorney ad litem, or the court can request a hearing on whether or not reunification services should be terminated under § 9-35-335.

(e)(1) In each case in which a juvenile has been placed in an out-of-home placement, the court shall conduct a hearing to review the case sufficiently to determine the future status of the juvenile based upon the best interest of the juvenile.

(2)(A) The court shall determine and include in its orders the following:

(i) Whether the case plan, services, and placement meet the special needs and best interest of the juvenile, with the juvenile's health, safety, and educational needs specifically addressed;

(ii) Whether the state has made reasonable efforts to provide family services;

(iii) Whether the parent or parents or person from whom custody was removed has demonstrated progress toward the goals of the case plan and whether completion of the goals has benefited the parent in remedying the issues that prevent the safe return of the juvenile;

(iv) Whether the case plan is moving toward an appropriate permanency plan under § 9-35-324 for the juvenile;

(v) Whether the visitation plan is appropriate for the juvenile, the parent or parents, and any siblings, if separated; and

(vi)(a) Whether the juvenile should be returned to his or

her parent or parents and whether or not the juvenile's health and safety can be protected by his or her parent or parents if returned home, either permanently or for a trial placement.

(b) At any time the court determines that the health and safety of the child can be adequately protected and it is in the best interest of the child, the court shall return the child to a parent or parents from whom custody was removed.

(B)(i) The court may order any studies, evaluations, or post-disposition reports, if needed.

(ii) All studies, evaluations, or post-disposition reports shall be provided in writing to all parties and counsel at least two (2) days before the review hearing.

(iii) All parties shall be given a fair opportunity to controvert any part of a study, evaluation, or post-disposition report.

(3)(A) In making its findings, the court shall consider the following:

(i) The extent of compliance with the case plan, including without limitation a review of the department's care for the health, safety, and education of the juvenile while he or she has been in an out-of-home placement;

(ii) The extent of progress that has been made toward alleviating or mitigating the causes of the out-of-home placement;

(iii) Whether the juvenile should be returned to his or her parent or parents and whether or not the juvenile's health and safety can be protected by his or her parent or parents if returned home; and

(iv) An appropriate permanency plan under § 9-35-324 for the juvenile, including concurrent planning.

(B) Incompletion of the case plan under subdivision (e)(3)(A)(i) of this section is an insufficient reason by itself to deny the juvenile's return to the family home.

(f) Each six-month review hearing shall be completed, and the written order under subsection (e) of this section shall be filed by the court or by a party or a party's attorney as designated by the court and distributed to the parties within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or before the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-35-324. Permanency planning hearing.

(a)(1) A permanency planning hearing shall be held to finalize a permanency plan for the juvenile:

(A) No later than twelve (12) months after the date the juvenile enters an out-of-home placement;

(B) After a juvenile has been in an out-of-home placement for fifteen (15) of the previous twenty-two (22) months, excluding trial placements and time on runaway status; or

(C) No later than thirty (30) days after a hearing granting no reunification services.

(2) If a juvenile remains in an out-of-home placement after the initial

permanency planning hearing, a permanency planning hearing shall be held annually to reassess the permanency plan selected for the juvenile.

(b)(1) This section does not prevent the Department of Human Services or the attorney ad litem from filing at any time before the permanency planning hearing a petition:

(A) To terminate parental rights;

(B) For guardianship; or

(C) For permanent custody.

(2) A permanency planning hearing is not required before the filing of the petitions under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

(c) At the permanency planning hearing, based upon the facts of the case, the circuit court shall enter one (1) of the following permanency goals, listed in order of preference, in accordance with the best interest, health, and safety of the juvenile:

(1) Placing custody of the juvenile with a fit parent at the permanency planning hearing;

(2) Returning the juvenile to the guardian or custodian from whom the juvenile was initially removed at the permanency planning hearing;

(3) Authorizing a plan to place custody of the juvenile with a parent, guardian, or custodian only if the court finds that:

(A)(i) The parent, guardian, or custodian is complying with the established case plan and orders of the court, making significant and measurable progress toward achieving the goals established in the case plan and diligently working toward reunification or placement in the home of the parent, guardian, or custodian.

(ii) Regardless of when the effort was made, the court shall consider all evidence of an effort made by the parent, guardian, or custodian to remedy the conditions that led to the removal of the juvenile from the custody of the parent, guardian, or custodian and give the evidence the appropriate weight and consideration in relation to the safety, health, and well-being of the juvenile.

(iii) The burden is on the parent, guardian, or custodian to demonstrate genuine, sustainable investment in completing the requirements of the case plan and following the orders of the court in order to authorize a plan to return or be placed in the home as the permanency goal;

(B) The parent, guardian, or custodian is making significant and measurable progress toward remedying the conditions that:

(i) Caused the juvenile's removal and the juvenile's continued removal from the home; or

(ii) Prohibit placement of the juvenile in the home of a parent; and

(C)(i) Placement of the juvenile in the home of the parent, guardian, or custodian shall occur within a time frame consistent with the juvenile's developmental needs but no later than three (3) months from the date of the permanency planning hearing.

(ii) The court may authorize a plan to place custody of a

juvenile with a parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile despite finding that placement of the juvenile in the home of the parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile may not occur within the three-month period required under subdivision (c)(3)(C)(i) of this section if the plan is in the best interest of the child during extraordinary circumstances.

(iii) As used in this subdivision (c)(3)(C), "extraordinary circumstances" includes without limitation the following circumstances:

(a) The Supreme Court orders the suspension of in-person court proceedings; and

(b) One (1) of the following has occurred:

(1) The President of the United States has declared a national emergency; or

(2) The Governor has declared a state of emergency or a statewide public health emergency;

(4) Authorizing a plan to obtain a guardianship or adoption with a fit and willing relative;

(5) Authorizing a plan for adoption with the department's filing a petition for termination of parental rights unless:

(A) The juvenile is being cared for by a relative and the court finds that:

(i) Either:

(a) The relative has made a long-term commitment to the child and the relative is willing to pursue guardianship or permanent custody; or

(b) The juvenile is being cared for by his or her minor parent who is in foster care; and

(ii) Termination of parental rights is not in the best interest of the juvenile;

(B) The department has documented in the case plan a compelling reason why filing a petition for termination of parental rights is not in the best interest of the juvenile and the court approves the compelling reason as documented in the case plan; or

(C)(i) The department has not provided to the family of the juvenile, consistent with the time period in the case plan, the services as the department deemed necessary for the safe return of the juvenile to the juvenile's home if reunification services were required to be made to the family.

(ii) If the department has failed to provide services as outlined in the case plan, the court shall schedule another permanency planning hearing for no later than six (6) months;

(6) Authorizing a plan to obtain a guardian for the juvenile;

(7) Authorizing a plan to obtain a permanent custodian, including permanent custody with a fit and willing relative; or

(8)(A) Authorizing a plan for another planned permanent living arrangement that includes a permanent planned living arrangement and addresses

the quality of services, including, but not limited to, independent living services and a plan for the supervision and nurturing the juvenile will receive.

(B) Another planned permanent living arrangement shall be selected only if:

(i) The department has documented to the circuit court a compelling reason for determining that it would not be in the best interest of the child to follow one (1) of the permanency plans identified in subdivisions (c)(1)-(7) of this section and this subdivision (c)(8);

(ii) The child is sixteen (16) years of age or older; and

(iii) The court makes a judicial determination explaining why, as of the date of the hearing, another planned permanent living arrangement is the best permanency plan for the juvenile and the court finds compelling reasons why it continues to not be in the best interest of the juvenile to:

(a) Return home;

(b) Be placed for adoption;

(c) Be placed with a legal guardian; or

(d) Be placed with a fit and willing relative.

(d) At the permanency planning hearing on a juvenile sixteen (16) years of age or older, the court shall ask the juvenile his or her desired permanency outcome, or the attorney ad litem shall enter evidence concerning the child's wishes.

(e) At every permanency planning hearing the court shall make a finding on whether the department has made reasonable efforts and shall describe the efforts to finalize a permanency plan for the juvenile.

(f) A written order shall be filed by the court or by a party or party's attorney as designated by the court and distributed to the parties within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or prior to the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

(g) If the court determines that the permanency goal is adoption, the department shall file the petition to terminate parental rights within thirty (30) days from the date of the permanency planning hearing that establishes adoption as the permanency goal.

(h)(1) The court shall determine if establishing concurrent permanency planning goals is appropriate.

(2) If the court determines that establishing concurrent permanency planning goals is appropriate, the court shall establish all appropriate permanency planning goals subject to the requirements of this section.

(3) If the court sets a goal of adoption, reunification services shall continue to be provided unless the court:

(A) Determines that the reunification services are no longer needed;

(B) Terminates parental rights; or

(C) Otherwise finalizes a permanency plan for the juvenile.

9-35-325. Termination of parental rights — Definition.

(a)(1)(A) This section shall be a remedy available only to the Department of

Human Services or a court-appointed attorney ad litem.

(B) This section shall not be available for private litigants or other agencies.

(2)(A) This section shall be used only in cases in which the department is attempting to clear a juvenile for permanent placement by terminating the parental rights of a parent and putative parent based on the definition of "parent" and "putative father" under § 9-35-102.

(B) This section shall not be used to terminate the rights of a putative parent if a court of competent jurisdiction has previously determined under § 9-35-314 that the rights of the putative parent have not attached.

(3) The intent of this section is to provide permanency in a juvenile's life in all instances in which the return of a juvenile to the family home is contrary to the juvenile's health, safety, or welfare and it appears from the evidence that a return to the family home cannot be accomplished in a reasonable period of time as viewed from the juvenile's perspective.

(4) The court shall rely upon the record of the parent's compliance in the entire dependency-neglect case and evidence presented at the termination hearing in making its decision on whether it is in the best interest of the juvenile to terminate parental rights.

(b)(1)(A) The circuit court may consider a petition to terminate parental rights if the court finds that there is an appropriate permanency placement plan for the juvenile.

(B) This section does not require that a permanency planning hearing be held as a prerequisite to the filing of a petition to terminate parental rights or as a prerequisite to the court's considering a petition to terminate parental rights.

(2)(A) The petitioner shall serve the petition to terminate parental rights as required under Rule 5 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure, except:

(i) Service shall be made as required under Rule 4 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure if the:

(a) Parent was not served under Rule 4 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure at the initiation of the proceeding;

(b) Parent is not represented by an attorney; or

(c) Initiation of the proceeding was more than two (2) years ago; or

(ii) When the court orders service of the petition to terminate parental rights as required under Rule 4 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

(B) The petitioner shall check with the Putative Father Registry if the name or whereabouts of the putative father is unknown.

(3) An order forever terminating parental rights shall be based upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence:

(A) That it is in the best interest of the juvenile, including consideration of the following factors:

(i) The likelihood that the juvenile will be adopted if the

termination petition is granted; and

(ii) The potential harm, specifically addressing the effect on the health and safety of the child, caused by returning the child to the custody of the parent, parents, or putative parent or parents; and

(B) Of one (1) or more of the following grounds:

(i)(a) That a juvenile has been adjudicated by the court to be dependent-neglected and has continued to be out of the:

(1) Custody of the parent for twelve (12) months and, despite a meaningful effort by the department to rehabilitate the parent and correct the conditions that caused removal, those conditions have not been remedied by the parent; or

(2) Home of the noncustodial parent for twelve (12) months and, despite a meaningful effort by the department to rehabilitate the parent and correct the conditions that prevented the child from safely being placed in the parent's home, the conditions have not been remedied by the parent.

(b) It is not necessary that the twelve-month period referenced in subdivision (b)(3)(B)(i)(a)(1) of this section immediately precede the filing of the petition for termination of parental rights or that it be for twelve (12) consecutive months;

(ii)(a) The juvenile has lived outside the home of the parent for a period of twelve (12) months, and the parent has willfully failed to provide significant material support in accordance with the parent's means or to maintain meaningful contact with the juvenile.

(b) To find willful failure to maintain meaningful contact, it must be shown that the parent was not prevented from visiting or having contact with the juvenile by the juvenile's custodian or any other person, taking into consideration the distance of the juvenile's placement from the parent's home.

(c) Material support consists of either financial contributions or food, shelter, clothing, or other necessities when the contribution has been requested by the juvenile's custodian or ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(d) It is not necessary that the twelve-month period under subdivision (b)(3)(B)(ii)(a) of this section immediately precede the filing of the petition for termination of parental rights or that it be for twelve (12) consecutive months;

(iii)(a) The parent is not the biological parent of the juvenile and the welfare of the juvenile can best be served by terminating the parental rights of the parent.

(b) A termination of parental rights under subdivision (b)(3)(B)(iii)(a) of this section shall not be considered an involuntary termination;

(iv) A parent has abandoned the juvenile;

(v)(a) A parent has executed consent to termination of parental rights or adoption of the juvenile, subject to the court's approval.

(b) If the consent is executed under oath by a person authorized to administer the oath, the parent is not required to execute the consent in the presence of the court unless required by federal law or federal regulations;

(vi)(a) The court has found the juvenile or a sibling dependent-neglected as a result of neglect or abuse that could endanger the life of the child, sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation, any of which was perpetrated by the juvenile's parent or parents or stepparent or stepparents.

(b) Such findings by the juvenile division of circuit court shall constitute grounds for immediate termination of the parental rights of one (1) or both of the parents;

(vii)(a) That other factors or issues arose subsequent to the filing of the original petition for dependency-neglect that demonstrate that placement of the juvenile in the custody of the parent is contrary to the juvenile's health, safety, or welfare and that, despite the offer of appropriate family services, the parent has manifested the incapacity or indifference to remedy the subsequent issues or factors or rehabilitate the parent's circumstances that prevent the placement of the juvenile in the custody of the parent.

(b) The department shall make reasonable accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025, to parents with disabilities in order to allow them meaningful access to reunification and family preservation services.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision (b)(3)(B)(vii), the inability or incapacity to remedy or rehabilitate includes, but is not limited to, mental illness, emotional illness, or mental deficiencies.

(d) Subdivision (b)(3)(B)(vii)(a) of this section does not apply if the factors or issues have not been adjudicated by the court or the parent is not provided with proper notice of the factors or issues;

(viii) The parent is sentenced in a criminal proceeding for a period of time that would constitute a substantial period of the juvenile's life;

(ix)(a) The parent is found by a court of competent jurisdiction, including the juvenile division of the circuit court, to:

(1) Have committed murder or manslaughter of any juvenile or to have aided or abetted, attempted, conspired, or solicited to commit the murder or manslaughter;

(2) Have committed a felony battery that results in serious bodily injury to any juvenile or to have aided or abetted, attempted, conspired, or solicited to commit felony battery that results in serious bodily injury to any juvenile;

(3)(A) Have subjected any juvenile to aggravated circumstances.

(B) As used in subdivision (b)(3)(B)(ix)(a)(3)(A) of this section, "aggravated circumstances” means:

(i) A juvenile has been abandoned, chronically abused, subjected to extreme or repeated cruelty, sexually abused, or a determination has been or is made by a judge that there is little likelihood that services to the family will result in successful reunification;

(ii) A juvenile has been removed from the custody of the parent or guardian and placed in foster care or in the custody of another person three (3) or more times in the last fifteen (15) months; or

(iii) A child or a sibling has been neglected or abused to the extent that the abuse or neglect could endanger the life of the child;

(4)(A) Have had his or her parental rights involuntarily terminated as to a child.

(B) It is an affirmative defense to the termination of parental rights based on a prior involuntary termination of parental rights that the parent has remedied the conditions that caused the prior involuntary termination of parental rights; or

(5) Be the parent of an abandoned infant, as defined under § 9-35-102.

(b) This subchapter does not require reunification of a surviving child with a parent who has been found guilty of any of the offenses listed in subdivision (b)(3)(B)(ix)(a) of this section; or

(x)(a) A putative parent who fails to establish or maintain meaningful contact with his or her juvenile after:

(1) Being named and served as a party in a dependency-neglect proceeding;

(2) Receiving notice of a dependency-neglect proceeding under § 9-35-306 or § 9-35-312; and

(3) The court finds that the rights of the putative parent with regard to the juvenile have attached.

(b) To find willful failure to maintain meaningful contact, it shall be shown that the putative parent was not prevented from visiting or having contact with the juvenile by the custodian of the juvenile or any other person, taking into consideration the distance of the juvenile's placement from the putative parent's home.

(c) A termination of parental rights under subdivision (b)(3)(B)(x)(a) of this section shall not be considered an involuntary termination.

(d)(1) Subdivision (b)(3)(B)(x)(a) of this section does not apply to a putative parent whose rights have not attached to a juvenile.

(2) If a court finds that the rights of the putative parent have not attached to the juvenile, the court shall dismiss the putative parent from the petition to terminate parental rights and enter an order finding that no further notice is due to the putative parent.

(c)(1) An order terminating the relationship between parent and juvenile:

(A) Divests the parent and the juvenile of all legal rights, powers, and obligations with respect to each other, including the right to withhold consent to adoption, except the right of the juvenile to inherit from the parent, that is terminated only by a final order of adoption; and

(B)(i) Divests a putative parent and the juvenile of all rights, powers, and obligations with respect to the putative parent and the juvenile if the rights of the putative parent have attached under § 9-35-314 before or during the termination proceeding.

(ii) The divesting of all the rights, powers, and obligations of the putative parent and the juvenile shall be based on the same authority, requirements, limitations, and other provisions that apply to the termination of the rights of a parent, including without limitation the provision requiring the dismissal of a putative parent as a party to a case without further notice to the putative parent.

(2)(A) Termination of the relationship between a juvenile and one parent shall not affect the relationship between the juvenile and the other parent if those rights are legally established.

(B) A court may terminate the rights of one parent and not the other parent if the court finds that it is in the best interest of the child.

(3) An order terminating parental rights under this section:

(A) May authorize the department to consent to adoption of the juvenile; and

(B) Dismisses the parent or putative parent subject to the termination of parental rights as a party to the case without further notice to the parent or putative parent required.

(d)(1) The court shall conduct and complete a termination of parental rights hearing within ninety (90) days from the date the petition for termination of parental rights is filed unless continued for good cause as articulated in the written order of the court.

(2)(A) The court may continue a termination of parental rights hearing for up to one hundred eighty (180) days from the date the petition for termination of parental rights is filed in extraordinary circumstances.

(B) As used in this subdivision (d)(2), “extraordinary circumstances” includes without limitation the following circumstances:

(i) The Supreme Court orders the suspension of in-person court proceedings; and

(ii) One (1) of the following has occurred:

(a) The President of the United States has declared a national emergency; or

(b) The Governor has declared a state of emergency or a statewide public health emergency.

(e) A written order shall be filed by the court or by a party or party's counsel as designated by the court within thirty (30) days of the date of the termination hearing or before the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

(f) After the termination of parental rights hearing, the court shall review the case at least every six (6) months, and a permanency planning hearing shall be held each year following the initial permanency hearing until permanency is achieved for that juvenile.

(g)(1)(A) A parent may withdraw consent to termination of parental rights within ten (10) calendar days after it was signed by filing an affidavit with the circuit clerk in the county designated by the consent as the county in which the termination of parental rights will be filed.

(B) If the ten-day period ends on a weekend or legal holiday, the person may file the affidavit the next working day.

(C) No fee shall be charged for the filing of the affidavit.

(2) The consent to terminate parental rights shall state that the person has the right of withdrawal of consent and shall provide the address of the circuit clerk of the county in which the termination of parental rights will be filed.

(h) Upon the entry of an order terminating parental rights the:

(1) Department is relieved of all responsibility for providing reunification services to the parent whose parental rights are terminated;

(2) Appointed parent counsel is relieved of his or her representation of the parent whose parental rights are terminated except as provided under Rules 6-9 and 6-10 of the Rules of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals of the State of Arkansas;

(3) Appointed parent counsel shall be reappointed to represent a parent who successfully appeals the termination of his or her parental rights if the parent is indigent; and

(4) Parent whose parental rights are terminated or a putative parent who after receiving notice is determined by a court to not have rights attached to the juvenile is not entitled to:

(A) Notice of any court proceeding concerning the juvenile, including a petition for adoption concerning the juvenile; and

(B) An opportunity to be heard in any court proceeding concerning the juvenile.

9-35-326. Proceedings concerning juveniles for whom paternity not established.

(a) Absent orders of a circuit court or another court of competent jurisdiction to the contrary, the biological mother, whether adult or minor, of a juvenile for whom paternity has not been established is deemed to be the natural guardian of that juvenile and is entitled to the care, custody, and control of that juvenile.

(b) The biological mother, the putative father, the juvenile himself or herself, or the Office of Child Support Enforcement may bring an action to establish paternity or support of a juvenile for whom paternity has not been established.

(c)(1) If the juvenile is not born when the parties appear before the court, the court may hear evidence and issue temporary orders and findings pending the birth of the juvenile.

(2) In the event the final order is contrary to the temporary one, the court shall render judgment for the amount paid under the temporary order against the petitioner if such was the biological mother.

(3) If the mother dies before the final order, the action may be revived in the name of the juvenile, and the mother's testimony at the temporary hearing may be introduced in the final hearing.

(d)(1) Upon an adjudication by the court that the putative father is the father of the juvenile, the court shall follow the same guidelines, procedures, and requirements as established by the laws of this state applicable to child support orders and judgments entered upon divorce.

(2) The court may award court costs and attorney's fees.

(e)(1) If paternity has been established in a court of competent jurisdiction, a father may petition the court in the county where the juvenile resides for custody of the juvenile.

(2) The court may award custody to a father who has had paternity established if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that:

(A) He is a fit parent to raise the juvenile;

(B) He has assumed his responsibilities toward the juvenile by providing care, supervision, protection, and financial support for the juvenile; and

(C) It is in the best interest of the juvenile to award custody to the father.

(f) At the request of either party in a paternity action, the trial court shall direct that the putative father, biological mother, and juvenile submit to one (1) or more blood tests or other scientific examinations or tests, including deoxyribonucleic acid typing, to:

(1) Determine whether or not the putative father can be excluded as being the father of the juvenile; and

(2) Establish the probability of paternity if the test does not exclude the putative father.

(g) The tests under subsection (f) of this section shall be made by a duly qualified physician or physicians, or by another duly qualified person or persons, not to exceed three (3), to be appointed by the court.

(h)(1) The results of the tests under subsection (f) of this section shall be receivable in evidence.

(2)(A)(i) A written report of the test results by the duly qualified expert performing the test, or by a duly qualified expert under whose supervision and direction the test and analysis have been performed, certified by an affidavit duly subscribed and sworn to by the expert before a notary public, may be introduced in evidence in illegitimacy actions without calling the expert as a witness.

(ii) If either party shall desire to question the expert, the party shall have the expert subpoenaed within a reasonable time before trial.

(B) If the results of the paternity tests establish a ninety-five percent (95%) or more probability of inclusion that the putative father is the biological father of the juvenile and after corroborating testimony of the mother in regard to

access during the probable period of conception, this shall constitute a prima facie case of establishment of paternity and the burden of proof shall shift to the putative father to rebut such proof.

(3) The experts shall be subject to cross-examination by both parties after the court has caused them to disclose their findings.

(i) Whenever the court orders the blood tests to be taken and one (1) of the parties refuses to submit to the test, that fact shall be disclosed upon the trial unless good cause is shown to the contrary.

(j) The costs of the test and witness fees shall be taxed by the court as other costs in the case.

(k) Whenever it shall be relevant to the prosecution or the defense in a paternity action, blood tests that exclude third parties as the father of the juvenile shall be the same as set out in subsections (f) and (g) of this section.

(l) The refusal of a party to submit to a genetic or other ordered test is admissible at a hearing to determine paternity only as to the credibility of the party.

(m) If a male witness offers testimony indicating that his act of intercourse with the mother may have resulted in the conception of the juvenile, the court may require the witness to submit to genetic or other tests to determine whether he is the juvenile's father.

9-35-327. Appeals.

(a) An appeal shall be made to the Supreme Court or to the Court of Appeals in the time and manner provided for an appeal in the Arkansas Rules of Appellate Procedure.

(b) Pending an appeal from any case involving a juvenile out-of-home placement, the juvenile division of circuit court retains jurisdiction to conduct further hearings.

9-35-328. Duties and responsibilities of custodian.

(a) A person or agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile in a proceeding under this subchapter shall:

(1) Care for and maintain the juvenile; and

(2) See that the juvenile:

(A) Is protected;

(B) Is properly trained and educated; and

(C) Has the opportunity to learn a trade, occupation, or profession.

(b)(1) The person or agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile in a proceeding under this subchapter has the right to obtain medical care for the juvenile, including giving consent to specific medical, dental, or mental health treatments and procedures as required in the opinion of a duly authorized or licensed physician, dentist, surgeon, or psychologist, whether or not such care is rendered on an emergency, inpatient, or outpatient basis.

(2) If there is an open dependency-neglect proceeding, the custodian

shall not make any of the following decisions without receiving express court approval:

(A) Consent to the removal of bodily organs, unless the procedure is necessary to save the life of the juvenile;

(B) Consent to withhold life-saving treatments;

(C) Consent to withhold life-sustaining treatments; or

(D) The amputation of any body part, unless the procedure is necessary in an emergency to save the life of the juvenile.

(c) The custodian has the right to enroll the juvenile in school upon the presentation of an order of custody.

(d) The custodian has the right to obtain medical and school records of any juvenile in his or her custody upon presentation of an order of custody.

(e) Any agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile has the right to consent to the juvenile's travel on vacation or similar trips.

(f)(1) It shall be the duty of every person granted custody, guardianship, or adoption of any juvenile in a proceeding under or arising out of a dependency-neglect action under this subchapter to ensure that the juvenile is not returned to the care or supervision of any person from whom the child was removed or any person the court has specifically ordered not to have care, supervision, or custody of the juvenile.

(2) This section shall not be construed to prohibit these placements if the person who has been granted custody, guardianship, or adoption obtains a court order to that effect from the juvenile division of circuit court that made the award of custody, guardianship, or adoption.

(3) Failure to abide by subdivision (f)(1) of this section is punishable as a criminal offense under § 5-26-502(a)(3).

(g)(1) The court shall not split custody.

(2) As used in this section, "split custody" means granting legal custody to one (1) person or agency and granting physical custody to another person or agency.

9-35-329. Progress reports on juveniles.

(a)(1) The court may order progress reports from a service provider whenever a juvenile is placed out of home and in a setting other than a Department of Human Services foster home.

(2) The order shall:

(A) Set forth the schedule for the progress reports; and

(B) Identify the service provider responsible for submitting the progress reports.

(3) The service provider shall be provided a copy of the written court order by:

(A) Certified mail, restricted delivery; or

(B) Process server.

(4) Failure to follow the order of the court shall subject the service

provider to contempt sanctions of the court.

(b) A progress report shall include, but not be limited to the:

(1) Reason for admission;

(2) Projected length of stay;

(3) Identified goals and objectives to be addressed during placement;

(4) Progress of the juvenile in meeting goals and objectives;

(5) Barriers to progress;

(6) Significant behavioral disruptions and response of provider; and

(7) Recommendations upon the juvenile's release.

(c) The service provider shall immediately report any incidents concerning the juvenile's health or safety to:

(1) The juvenile's attorney or attorney ad litem; and

(2) The custodian of the juvenile.

9-35-330. Placement of juveniles.

(a) The court shall not specify a particular provider for placement of a foster child.

(b)(1)(A) When the Department of Human Services takes custody of a juvenile under § 12-18-1001, or when the court determines that a juvenile shall be removed from his or her home under this subchapter, the department shall conduct an immediate assessment to locate:

(i) A noncustodial parent of the juvenile;

(ii) Recommended relatives of the juvenile, including each grandparent of the juvenile, and all parents of the juvenile's sibling if the parent has custody of the sibling; and

(iii) Fictive kin identified by the juvenile as one (1) or more persons who play or have a significant positive role in his or her life.

(B)(i) If there is a safety issue identified from a Child Maltreatment Central Registry check or criminal background check, the department is not required to provide further assessment or notice to the persons identified under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section.

(ii) If there is not a safety issue identified in a Child Maltreatment Central Registry check or criminal background check regarding all the persons identified under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section, the department shall provide in writing to the persons identified the following notice:

(a) A statement saying that the juvenile has been or is being removed from his or her parent;

(b) An explanation concerning how to participate and be considered for care, placement, and family time with the juvenile;

(c) Information needed for a child welfare safety check and home study, if the person is interested in placement;

(d) Information about provisional relative foster care, fictive kin, and other supportive benefits available through the department;

(e) A statement saying that failure to timely

respond may result in the loss of opportunities to be involved in the care, placement, and family time with the juvenile; and

(f) The name, phone number, email address, and physical address of the caseworker and supervisor assigned to the case.

(C) If the court has not transferred custody to a noncustodial parent, relative, or other individual, or the department has not placed the juvenile in provisional relative placement or fictive kin placement, the department shall continue its assessment under subdivisions (b)(1)(A) and (B) of this section throughout the case.

(D) The department shall provide upon request of the court, parties to the proceeding, or counsel for the parties to the proceeding a record of the efforts made to locate the noncustodial parent, relatives, fictive kin, or other persons identified under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section and the results of the assessment, including the following information concerning the identified person:

(i) Name;

(ii) Last known address and phone number;

(iii) The appropriateness of placement based on the department's assessment of the person; and

(iv) Other identifying or relevant information to the extent known by the department.

(E)(i) A relative or fictive kin identified by the department under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section shall be given preferential consideration for placement if the relative or fictive kin meets all relevant protective standards and it is in the best interest of the juvenile to be placed with the relative or fictive kin.

(ii) In all placements, preferential consideration for a relative or fictive kin shall be given at all stages of the case.

(iii) If the court denies placement with a relative or fictive kin, the court shall make specific findings of fact in writing regarding the considerations given to the relative or fictive kin and the reasons the placement was denied.

(iv) The court shall not base its decision to place the juvenile solely upon the consideration of the relationship formed between the juvenile and a foster parent.

(F)(i) The court may transfer custody to any relative or any other person recommended by the department, the parent, or any party upon review of a home study, including criminal background and child maltreatment reports, and a finding that custody is in the best interest of the child.

(ii) A home study is not required for a parent of a juvenile.

(2) Placement or custody of a juvenile in the home of a relative, fictive kin, or other person shall not relieve the department of its responsibility to actively implement the goal of the case.

(3)(A) The juvenile shall remain in a licensed or approved foster home, shelter, or facility or an exempt child welfare agency as defined under § 9-28-402 until the home is opened as a regular foster home, as a provisional foster home if

the person is a relative to one (1) of the children in the sibling group, including step-siblings, or the court grants custody of the juvenile to the relative, fictive kin, or other person after a written approved home study is presented to the court.

(B) For placement only with a relative or fictive kin:

(i) The juvenile and the juvenile's siblings or step-siblings may be placed in the home of a relative or fictive kin on a provisional basis for up to six (6) months pending the relative or fictive kin's home being opened as a regular foster home;

(ii)(a) If the relative or fictive kin opts to have his or her home opened as a provisional foster home, the relative or fictive kin shall not be paid a board payment until the relative or fictive kin meets all of the requirements and his or her home is opened as a regular foster home.

(b) A relative or fictive kin who has his or her home opened as a provisional foster home may receive a board payment from the department for no more than six (6) months unless fully opened as a foster home;

(iii) Until the relative or fictive kin's home is opened as a regular foster home, the relative or fictive kin may:

(a) Apply for and receive benefits that the relative or fictive kin may be entitled to due to the placement of the juvenile in the home, such as benefits under the Transitional Employment Assistance Program, § 20-76-401, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; and

(b) Receive child support or any federal benefits paid on behalf of the juvenile in the relative or fictive kin's home; and

(iv) If the relative or fictive kin's home is not fully licensed as a foster home after six (6) months of the placement of the juvenile and the siblings or step-siblings in the home:

(a) The department shall remove the juvenile and any of the siblings or step-siblings from the relative or fictive kin's home and close the relative or fictive kin's provisional foster home; or

(b) The court shall remove custody from the department and grant custody of the juvenile to the relative or fictive kin subject to the limitations outlined in subdivision (b)(4) of this section.

(4) If the court grants custody of the juvenile and any siblings or step-siblings to the relative, fictive kin, or other person:

(A)(i) The juvenile and any siblings or step-siblings shall not be placed back in the custody of the department while remaining in the home of the relative, fictive kin, or other person.

(ii) The juvenile and any siblings or step-siblings shall not be removed from the custody of the relative, fictive kin, or other person, placed in the custody of the department, and then remain or be returned to the home of the relative, fictive kin, or other person while remaining in the custody of the department;

(B)(i) The relative, fictive kin, or other person shall not receive any financial assistance, including board payments, from the department, except for financial assistance for which the relative, fictive kin, or other person has applied and

for which the relative, fictive kin, or other person qualifies under the program guidelines, such as the Transitional Employment Assistance Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Medicaid, and a federal adoption subsidy.

(ii) A relative or fictive kin who has his or her home opened as a provisional foster home may receive a monthly board payment from the department for no more than six (6) months unless fully opened as a foster home; and

(C) The department shall not be ordered to pay the equivalent of board payments, adoption subsidies, or guardianship subsidies to the relative, fictive kin, or other person as reasonable efforts to prevent removal of custody from the relative, fictive kin, or other person.

(5) In an action under this subsection concerning placement of a juvenile, the circuit court may consider the preferences of the juvenile if the juvenile is of a sufficient age and capacity to reason, regardless of the juvenile's chronological age.

(c)(1)(A) The court may order a juvenile who is in the custody of the department to be placed in a trial home placement with a parent of the juvenile or the person from whom custody of the juvenile was removed for a period of:

(i) No longer than sixty (60) days; or

(ii) More than sixty (60) days but no longer than one hundred eighty (180) days with the consent of the department.

(B) The department may place a juvenile who is in its custody in a trial home placement with a parent of the juvenile or the person from whom custody of the juvenile was removed for no longer than one hundred eighty (180) days.

(C) A trial home placement with a parent who did not have custody of the juvenile at the time of the removal of the juvenile and placement into the custody of the department may occur only after the court or the department determines that:

(i) The trial home placement is in the best interest of the juvenile;

(ii) The noncustodial parent does not have a restriction on contact with the juvenile; and

(iii) There is no safety concern with the trial home placement after reviewing:

(a) The criminal background of the noncustodial parent;

(b) The home of the noncustodial parent and each person in the home of the noncustodial parent; and

(c) Other information in the records of the department, including without limitation records concerning foster care, child maltreatment, protective services, and supportive services.

(2)(A) At every stage of the case, the court shall consider the least

restrictive placement for the juvenile and assess safety concerns that prevent either a trial home placement or the juvenile from being returned to or placed in the custody of the parent of the juvenile.

(B) The court shall detail the safety concerns in subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section in its written order.

(C) Failure to complete a case plan is not a sufficient reason alone to deny the placement of the juvenile in the home of a parent of the juvenile.

(D) A trial home placement may be made with a parent of the juvenile or the person from whom custody of the juvenile was removed.

(3) At the end of the trial home placement:

(A) The court shall place custody of the juvenile with the parent of the juvenile or the person from whom custody of the juvenile was removed; or

(B) The department shall return the juvenile to a licensed or approved foster home, shelter, or facility or an exempt child welfare agency as defined in § 9-28-402.

(d) When a juvenile leaves the custody of the department and the court grants custody to the parent or another person, the department is no longer legal custodian of the juvenile, even if the juvenile division of circuit court retains jurisdiction.

9-35-331. Fifteenth-month review hearing.

(a) A hearing shall be held to determine whether the Department of Human Services shall file a petition to terminate parental rights if:

(1) A juvenile has been in an out-of-home placement for fifteen (15) continuous months, excluding trial placements and time on runaway status; and

(2) The goal at the permanency planning hearing was either reunification or Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA).

(b) The circuit court shall authorize the department to file a petition to terminate parental rights unless:

(1)(A)(i) The child is being cared for by a relative or relatives;

(ii) Termination of parental rights is not in the best interest of the child;

(iii) The relative has made a long-term commitment to the child; and

(iv) The relative is willing to pursue adoption, guardianship, or permanent custody of the juvenile; or

(B)(i) The child is being cared for by his or her parent who is in foster care; and

(ii) Termination of parental rights is not in the best interest of the child;

(2)(A) The department has documented in the case plan a compelling reason why filing a petition is not in the best interest of the child; and

(B) The court approves the compelling reason as documented in the case plan; or

(3) The department has not provided to the family of the juvenile, consistent with the time period in the case plan, the services the department deemed necessary for the safe return of the child to the child's home if reunification services were required to be made to the family.

(c) If the court determines the permanency goal to be adoption, the department shall file a petition to terminate parental rights no later than the fifteenth month of the child's entry into foster care.

(d) If the court finds that the juvenile should remain in an out-of-home placement, either long-term or otherwise, the juvenile's case shall be reviewed every six (6) months, with an annual permanency planning hearing.

(e) A written order shall be filed by the court or by a party or party's attorney as designated by the court and distributed to the parties within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or prior to the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-25-332. Review of termination of parental rights.

(a) After an order of termination of parental rights, the circuit court shall review the case following the termination hearing at least every six (6) months until permanency is achieved, and a permanency planning hearing shall be held each year following the initial permanency hearing until permanency is achieved for that juvenile.

(b) The court shall determine and shall include in its orders whether:

(1) The case plan, services, and current placement meet the juvenile's special needs and best interest, with the juvenile's health, safety, and educational needs specifically addressed;

(2) The Department of Human Services has made reasonable efforts to finalize a permanency plan for the juvenile; and

(3) The case plan is moving toward an appropriate permanent placement for the juvenile.

(c) In making its findings, the court shall consider the extent of the compliance of the department and the juvenile with the case plan and court orders to finalize the permanency plan.

(d) A written order shall be filed by the court or by a party or a party's attorney as designated by the court and distributed to the parties within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing or prior to the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-35-333. Court reports.

(a)(1) Seven (7) business days before a scheduled dependency-neglect review hearing, including the fifteenth-month review hearing and any post-termination of parental rights hearing, the Department of Human Services and a court-appointed special advocate, if appointed, shall:

(A) Distribute a review report to all the parties or their attorneys and the court-appointed special advocate, if appointed; or

(B) Upload into a shared case management database an electronic copy of the court report.

(2)(A) The court report prepared by the department shall include a summary of the compliance of the parties with the court orders and case plan, including the description of the services and assistance the department has provided and recommendations to the court.

(B) In cases in which a child has been returned home, the department's review report shall include a description of any services needed by and requirements of the parent or parents, including, but not limited to, a safety plan to ensure the health and safety of the juvenile in the home.

(C)(i) In cases in which a juvenile has been transferred to the custody of the department, the department's court report shall outline the efforts made by the department to identify and notify adult grandparents and other adult relatives that the juvenile is in the custody of the department.

(ii) The department's court report shall list all adult grandparents and other adult relatives notified by the department and the response of each adult grandparent or other adult relative to the notice, including:

(a) The adult grandparent or other adult relative's interest in participating in the care and placement of the juvenile;

(b) Whether the adult grandparent or other adult relative is interested in becoming a provisional foster parent or foster parent of the juvenile;

(c) Whether the adult grandparent or other adult relative is interested in kinship guardianship, if funding is available; and

(d) Whether the adult grandparent or other adult relative is interested in family time.

(3) The report prepared by the court-appointed special advocate shall include, but is not limited to:

(A) Any independent factual information that he or she feels is relevant to the case;

(B) A summary of the compliance of the parties with the court orders;

(C) Any information on adult relatives, including their contact information and the volunteer's recommendation about relative placement and family time; and

(D) Recommendations to the court.

(4)(A) At a review hearing, the court shall determine on the record whether the previously filed reports shall be admitted into evidence based on any evidentiary objections made by the parties.

(B) The court shall not consider as evidence any report or part of a report that was not admitted into evidence on the record.

(b)(1) Seven (7) business days before a scheduled dependency-neglect permanency planning hearing, the department and the court-appointed special advocate, if appointed, shall:

(A) Distribute a permanency planning court report to all of the parties or their attorneys and the court-appointed special advocate, if appointed; or

(B) Upload into a shared case management database an electronic copy of the court report.

(2) The permanency planning court report prepared by the department shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) A summary of the compliance of the parties with the court orders and case plan, including the description of the services and assistance the department has provided;

(B) A list of all the placements in which the juvenile has been;

(C) A recommendation and discussion regarding the permanency plan, including:

(i) The appropriateness of the plan;

(ii) A timeline; and

(iii) The steps and services necessary to achieve the plan, including the persons responsible; and

(D) The location of any siblings, and if separated, a statement for the reasons for separation and any efforts to reunite or maintain contact if appropriate and in the best interest of the siblings.

(3) The report prepared by the court-appointed special advocate shall include, but is not limited to:

(A) Any independent factual information that he or she feels is relevant to the case;

(B) A summary of the compliance of the parties with the court orders;

(C) Any information on adult relatives, including their contact information and the volunteer's recommendation about relative placement and family time; and

(D) The recommendations to the court.

(4)(A) At the permanency planning hearing, the court shall determine on the record whether the previously filed reports shall be admitted into evidence based on any evidentiary objections made by the parties.

(B) The court shall not consider as evidence any report or part of a report that was not admitted into evidence on the record.

(c)(1) The court shall determine on the record whether a report or an addendum report shall be admitted into evidence based on any evidentiary objections made by the parties.

(2) The court shall not consider as evidence any report, part of a report, or an addendum report that was not admitted into evidence on the record.

9-35-334. Foster youth transition.

(a) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) A juvenile in foster care should have a family for a lifetime, but too many juveniles in foster care reach the age of majority without being successfully reunited with their biological families and without the security of permanent homes;

(2) A juvenile in foster care who is approaching the age of majority

shall be provided the opportunity to be actively engaged in the planning of his or her future; and

(3) The Department of Human Services shall:

(A) Include the juvenile in the process of developing a plan to transition the child into adulthood;

(B) Empower the juvenile with information about all of the options and services available;

(C) Provide the juvenile with the opportunity to participate in services tailored to his or her individual needs and designed to enhance his or her ability to receive the skills necessary to enter adulthood;

(D) Assist the juvenile in developing and maintaining healthy relationships with nurturing adults who can be a resource and positive guiding influences in his or her life after he or she leaves foster care; and

(E) Provide the juvenile with basic information and documentation regarding his or her biological family and personal history.

(b)(1) The department shall assist a juvenile in foster care or entering foster care with the development of a transitional life plan when the juvenile turns fourteen (14) years of age or within ninety (90) days of his or her fourteenth birthday, whichever occurs first.

(2) The plan shall include without limitation written information and confirmation concerning:

(A) A description of the programs and services that will help the juvenile prepare for transition from foster care to a successful adulthood, including without limitation the John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood;

(B) The juvenile's right to remain in extended foster care after reaching eighteen (18) years of age if the juvenile:

(i) Is completing secondary education or a program leading to an equivalent credential;

(ii) Is enrolled in an institution that provides postsecondary or vocational education;

(iii) Is participating in a program or activity designed to promote or remove barriers to employment;

(iv) Is employed for at least eighty (80) hours per month;

(v) Has a viable plan to meet the requirements of subdivisions (b)(2)(B)(i)-(iv) of this section; or

(vi) Is incapable of doing one (1) or more of the activities listed in subdivisions (b)(2)(B)(i)-(v) of this section due to a medical condition, which incapability is supported by regularly updated information in the case plan of the juvenile; and

(C) The juvenile's case, including his or her biological family, foster care placement history, tribal information, if applicable, and the whereabouts of siblings, if any, unless a court determines that release of information pertaining to a sibling would jeopardize the safety or welfare of the sibling.

(c) The department shall assist the juvenile with:

(1) Completing applications for:

(A) ARKids First, Medicaid, or assistance in obtaining other health insurance;

(B) Referrals to transitional housing, if available, or assistance in securing other housing; and

(C) Assistance in obtaining employment or other financial support;

(2) Applying for admission to a college or university, to a vocational training program, or to another educational institution and in obtaining financial aid, when appropriate; and

(3) Developing and maintaining relationships with individuals who are important to the juvenile and who may serve as resources that are based on the best interest of the juvenile.

(d) A juvenile and his or her attorney shall fully participate in the development of his or her transitional plan, to the extent that the juvenile is able to participate medically and developmentally.

(e)(1) If a juvenile does not have the capacity to successfully transition into adulthood without the assistance of the Office of Public Guardian for Adults, the Division of Children and Family Services shall make a referral to the office no later than six (6) months before the juvenile reaches eighteen (18) years of age or upon entering foster care, whichever occurs later.

(2) A representative from the office or a designee shall attend and participate in the transitional youth staffing, and information shall be provided to all of the parties about what services are available and how to access services for the juvenile after reaching the age of majority.

(f) Before closing a case, the department shall provide a juvenile in foster care who reaches eighteen (18) years of age or before leaving foster care, whichever is later, his or her:

(1) Social Security card;

(2) Certified birth certificate or verification of birth record, if available or if it should have been available to the department;

(3) Family photos in the possession of the department;

(4)(A) All of the juvenile's health records for the time the juvenile was in foster care and other medical records that were available or should have been available to the department.

(B) A juvenile who reaches eighteen (18) years of age and remains in foster care shall not be prevented from requesting that his or her health records remain private;

(5) All of the juvenile's educational records for the time the juvenile was in foster care and any other educational records that were available or should have been available to the department; and

(6) Driver's license or a state-issued official identification card.

(g) Within thirty (30) days after the juvenile leaves foster care, the

department shall provide the juvenile a full accounting of all funds held by the department to which he or she is entitled, information on how to access the funds, and when the funds will be available.

(h) The department shall not request a circuit court to close a family-in-need-of-services case or dependency-neglect case involving a juvenile in foster care until the department complies with this section.

(i) The department shall provide notice to the juvenile and his or her attorney before a hearing in which the department or another party requests a court to close the case is held.

(j) A circuit court shall continue jurisdiction over a juvenile who has reached eighteen (18) years of age to ensure compliance with § 9-28-114.

(k) This section does not limit the discretion of a circuit court to continue jurisdiction for other reasons as provided for by law.

9-35-335. No reunification hearing.

(a)(1)(A) Any party can file a motion for no reunification services at any time.

(B) The motion shall be provided to all parties in writing at least twenty (20) days before a scheduled hearing.

(C) The court may conduct a hearing immediately following or concurrent with an adjudication determination or at a separate hearing if proper notice has been provided.

(2) The motion shall identify sufficient facts and grounds in sufficient detail to put the defendant on notice as to the basis of the motion for no reunification services.

(3)(A) A response is not required.

(B) If a party responds, the time for response shall not be later than ten (10) days after receipt of the motion.

(b)(1) The court shall conduct and complete a no reunification hearing within fifty (50) days of the date of written notice to the defendants and shall enter an order determining whether or not reunification services shall be provided.

(2) Upon good cause shown, the hearing may be continued for an additional twenty (20) days.

(c) An order terminating reunification services on a party and ending the duty of the Department of Human Services to provide services to a party shall be based on a finding of clear and convincing evidence that:

(1) The termination of reunification services is in the child's best interest; and

(2) One (1) or more of the following grounds exist:

(A) A circuit court has determined that the parent, guardian, custodian, or noncustodial parent has subjected the child to aggravated circumstances that include:

(i) A child's being abandoned;

(ii) A child's being chronically abused;

(iii) A child's being sexually exploited;

(iv) A child's being subjected to extreme or repeated cruelty or sexual abuse;

(v) A determination by a circuit judge that there is little likelihood that services to the family will result in successful reunification;

(vi) A child has been removed from the custody of the parent or guardian and placed in foster care or the custody of another person three (3) or more times in the past fifteen (15) months; or

(vii) A child's or a sibling's being neglected or abused such that the abuse or neglect could endanger the life of the child; or

(B) A circuit court has determined that the parent:

(i) Has committed murder of a child;

(ii) Has committed manslaughter of a child;

(iii) Has aided or abetted, attempted, conspired, or solicited to commit murder or manslaughter;

(iv) Has committed a felony battery that results in serious bodily injury to any child;

(v) Had parental rights involuntarily terminated as to a sibling of the child; or

(vi) Is the parent of an abandoned infant as defined under § 9-35-102.

(d) Upon a determination that no reunification services shall be provided, the court shall hold a permanency planning hearing within thirty (30) days unless permanency for the juvenile has been achieved through guardianship, custody, or a petition for termination of parental rights has been filed within thirty (30) days.

(e) A written order setting forth the court's findings of fact and law shall be filed with the court, by the court, or by a party or party's attorneys as designated by the court within thirty (30) days or before the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-35-336. Resumption of services.

(a) The Department of Human Services or an attorney ad litem may file a motion to resume services for a parent whose parental rights were previously terminated under this subchapter if:

(1) The child:

(A) Is currently in the custody of the department;

(B) Is not in an adoptive placement, a pre-adoptive placement, or under another permanent placement and there is some evidence that the juvenile is not likely to achieve permanency within a reasonable period of time as viewed from the child's perspective; or

(C) Was previously adopted, appointed a permanent guardian, or placed in the permanent custody of another individual and the adoption, guardianship, or custodial placement was disrupted or otherwise dissolved; and

(2)(A) The order terminating the parental rights of the parent who is the subject of a motion filed under this section was entered at least three (3) years before the date on which the motion to resume services was filed.

(B) The three-year waiting period may be waived if it is in the best interest of the child.

(b)(1) A motion filed under this section shall identify the parent for whom services would resume.

(2) A parent shall not be named as a party to a motion filed under this section.

(3) The petitioner shall serve the parent who is the subject of a motion filed under this section with the motion.

(4) A parent who is the subject of a motion filed under this section shall have the right to be heard at a hearing on the motion.

(c) When determining whether to grant or deny a motion filed under this section, the court shall consider the:

(1) Efforts made by the department to achieve adoption or other permanent placement for the child, including without limitation any barriers preventing permanency from being achieved;

(2) Current status of the parent who is the subject of the motion, including without limitation the extent to which the parent has remedied any conditions that led to the termination of his or her parental rights;

(3) Willingness of the parent who is the subject of the motion to participate with the services offered; and

(4) Child's wishes regarding a resumption of contact, visitation, or placement with the parent who is the subject of the motion.

(d)(1) A court may grant a motion filed under this section if it finds by a preponderance of the evidence that it is in the best interest of the child to resume services and establish appropriate contact or family time between the child and the parent or placement of the child with the parent.

(2) If the court grants a motion filed under this section, the court:

(A)(i) May order family services for the purposes of assisting reunification between the child and a fit parent who is the subject of the motion.

(ii) The court may order the parent to pay for some or all of the costs associated with court-ordered family services;

(B)(i) May order studies, evaluations, home studies, or post-disposition reports.

(ii) A written home study on the parent who is the subject of the motion shall be submitted to the court before the court may order unsupervised visitation or placement of the juvenile with the parent.

(iii) If a study, evaluation, or home study is performed before a hearing on a motion filed under subsection (a) of this section, the results of the study, evaluation, or home study shall be served on the parent, attorney ad litem, court-appointed special advocate, and any other party to the motion at least two (2) business days before the hearing; and

(C) Shall schedule a review hearing every ninety (90) days until the court:

(i) Finds that it is not in the best interest of the child to

have contact, family time, or placement with the parent;

(ii) Enters an order reinstating the rights of the parent under § 9-35-337; or

(iii) No longer has jurisdiction over the case.

(3) A staffing shall be held and a case plan developed within thirty (30) days of the date on which the order granting a motion for resumption of services under this section is entered.

(e) A court may deny a motion filed under this section if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the parent who is the subject of the motion engaged in conduct that interfered with the child's ability to achieve permanency.

(f) The written order of the court shall be filed by the court, a party, or the attorney of a party as designated by the court and distributed to the parties within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing on the motion to resume services or before the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

9-35-337. Reinstatement of parental rights.

(a) The Department of Human Services or an attorney ad litem may file a petition to reinstate the parental rights of a parent whose parental rights have been terminated under this subchapter if the:

(1) Court has granted a motion to resume services under § 9-35-336;

(2) Services have continued for at least one hundred eighty (180) days following the date on which the court entered the order granting a motion to resume services under § 9-35-336; and

(3) Parent for whom reinstatement of parental rights is sought has substantially complied with the orders of the court and with the case plan developed under § 9-35-336.

(b) A petition to reinstate parental rights shall be filed in the circuit court that had jurisdiction over the petition to terminate the parental rights of the parent who is the subject of the petition to reinstate parental rights.

(c) A petition filed under this section shall be served on the:

(1) Attorney ad litem;

(2) Department;

(3) Parent who is the subject of the petition;

(4) Court Appointed Special Advocate Program Director, if applicable; and

(5) Child's tribe, if applicable.

(d) At least seven (7) business days before a hearing on a petition filed under this section, the department shall provide the parent, parent's counsel, attorney ad litem, court-appointed special advocate, and any other party to the petition with a written report that includes information on:

(1) The efforts made by the department to achieve adoption or another permanent placement for the child, including without limitation any barriers to the adoption or permanent placement of the child;

(2) The extent to which the parent who is the subject of the petition

has complied with the case plan and orders of the court as of the date on which services were ordered to be resumed under § 9-35-336;

(3) The impact of the resumed services on the parent and on the health, safety, and well-being of the child; and

(4) Any recommendations of the department.

(e) Parental rights may be reinstated under this section if the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that:

(1) Reinstatement of parental rights is in the best interest of the child; and

(2) There has been a material change in circumstances as to the parent who is the subject of the petition since the date on which the order terminating the parental rights of the parent was entered.

(f) The court shall consider the following factors when determining whether a reinstatement of parental rights is in the best interest of the child:

(1) The likelihood of the child achieving permanency through adoption or another permanent placement;

(2) The age, maturity, and preference of the child concerning the reinstatement of parental rights;

(3) The parent's fitness and whether the parent has remedied the conditions that existed at the time of the termination of his or her parental rights; and

(4) The effect that the reinstatement of parental rights would have on the health, safety, and well-being of the child.

(g) A court may deny a petition filed under this section if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the parent engaged in conduct that interfered with the child's ability to achieve permanency.

(h) An order reinstating the parental rights of the parent who is the subject of a petition filed under this section restores all rights, powers, privileges, immunities, duties, and obligations of the parent as to the child, including without limitation custody, control, and support of the child.

(i) If the child is placed with a parent whose parental rights are reinstated under this section, the court shall not close the case until the child has resided with the parent for no less than six (6) months.

(j) A written order shall be filed by the court, a party, or the attorney of a party as designated by the court within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing on the motion to reinstate parental rights or before the next hearing, whichever is sooner.

(k) An order reinstating parental rights under this section does not:

(1) Vacate or affect the validity of a previous order terminating the parental rights of the parent who is the subject of the petition; and

(2) Restore or impact the rights of a parent who is not the subject of a petition filed under this section.

(l) This section is retroactive and applies to a child who is under the jurisdiction of a court at the time of a hearing on a petition to terminate parental rights, regardless of the date on which parental rights were terminated by court order.

Subchapter 4 — Juvenile Delinquency

9-35-401. Purposes — Construction.

This subchapter shall be liberally construed to the end that its purposes may be carried out to:

(1) Protect society more effectively by substituting for retributive punishment, whenever possible, methods of offender rehabilitation and rehabilitative restitution, recognizing that the application of sanctions that are consistent with the seriousness of the offense is appropriate in all cases; and

(2) Provide means through which the provisions of this subchapter are executed and enforced and in which the parties are assured a fair hearing and their constitutional and other legal rights recognized and enforced.

9-35-402. Jurisdiction.

(a)(1) The circuit court shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of and shall be the sole court for the following proceedings governed by this subchapter, including without limitation:

(A)(i) Proceedings in which a juvenile is alleged to be delinquent as defined in this subchapter, including juveniles ten (10) to eighteen (18) years of age.

(ii) The court may retain jurisdiction of a juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent up to twenty-one (21) years of age if the juvenile committed the delinquent act before reaching eighteen (18) years of age;

(B) Proceedings for which a juvenile is alleged to be an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender under § 9-27-501 et seq.; and

(C) Proceedings for which a juvenile is transferred to the juvenile division of circuit court from the criminal division of circuit court under § 9-35-412.

(2) A juvenile shall not remain under the court's jurisdiction past twenty-one (21) years of age.

(3) The court shall retain jurisdiction to issue orders of adoption, interlocutory or final, if a juvenile is placed outside the State of Arkansas.

(b) The assignment of cases to the juvenile division of the circuit court shall be as described by the Supreme Court in Administrative Order Number 14, originally issued on April 6, 2001.

(c)(1) The circuit court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the district court over juvenile curfew violations.

(2) For juvenile curfew violations, the prosecutor may file a family in need of services petition in circuit court or a citation in district court.

(d) The circuit court shall have jurisdiction to hear proceedings commenced in any court of this state or court of comparable jurisdiction of another state that are transferred to it under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq.

9-35-403. Venue.

(a)(1)(A) Except as set forth in subdivisions (a)(2)-(4) of this section, a proceeding under this subchapter shall be commenced in the circuit court of the county in which the juvenile resides.

(B) Proceedings may be commenced in the county where the alleged act or omission occurred in a delinquency case.

(2) Proceedings under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq., shall be commenced in the court provided by the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, § 9-19-101 et seq.

(3) An adoption or guardianship may be filed in a juvenile court that has previously asserted continuing jurisdiction of the juvenile.

(4) A juvenile proceeding shall comply with § 16-13-210, except a detention hearing under § 9-35-420 and a probable cause hearing under § 9-35-310.

(b)(1) Before transferring a case to another venue, the court shall contact the judge in the other venue to confirm that the judge in the other venue will accept the transfer.

(2)(A) Upon confirmation that the judge will accept the transfer of venue, the transferring judge shall enter the transfer order.

(B) The transfer order shall:

(i) Indicate that the judge has accepted the transfer;

(ii) State the location of the court in the new venue; and

(iii) Set the time and date of the next hearing.

(C) The transfer order shall be:

(i) Provided to all parties and attorneys to the case; and

(ii) Transmitted immediately to the judge accepting the transfer.

(3) The transferring court shall also ensure that all court records are copied and sent to the judge in the new venue.

9-35-404. Personnel — Duties.

(a) The judge or judges of the circuit court designated to hear juvenile cases in the judge's district plan under Supreme Court Administrative Order Number 14, originally issued on April 6, 2001, shall designate no fewer than one (1) person in the judge's judicial district as intake officer and no fewer than one (1) person in the judge's judicial district as probation officer.

(b) An officer designated under subsection (a) of this section shall have the following duties:

(1) To make appropriate investigations and reports when required to do so by:

(A) This subchapter;

(B) The rules promulgated under this subchapter; or

(C) Order of the court;

(2) To aid and counsel juveniles and their families when required to do

so by order of the court;

(3) To perform all other appropriate functions assigned to him or her by:

(A) This subchapter;

(B) The rules promulgated under this subchapter; or

(C) Order of the court; and

(4) To give appropriate aid and assistance to the court when requested to do so by the judge.

(c) The provisions of this subchapter relative to juvenile officers and their responsibilities in delinquency cases may be applicable to a juvenile officer's involvement in a family in need of services case.

9-35-405. Confidentiality of records — Definition.

(a) All records may be closed and confidential within the discretion of the circuit court, except:

(1) Records of a delinquency adjudication for which a juvenile could have been tried as an adult shall be made available to a prosecuting attorney for use at sentencing if the juvenile is subsequently tried as an adult or to determine if the juvenile should be tried as an adult; and

(2) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide the Arkansas Crime Information Center with records of a delinquency adjudication for a juvenile adjudicated delinquent for an offense for which juvenile fingerprints shall be taken under § 9-35-414.

(b)(1)(A) Records of a delinquency adjudication for a felony involving violence as defined under § 5-4-501 shall be kept for ten (10) years after the last adjudication of delinquency or the date of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or a finding of guilt as an adult.

(B) After ten (10) years after the last adjudication of delinquency or the date of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or a finding of guilt as an adult under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section, the records may be expunged.

(2) The court:

(A) May expunge other juvenile records at any time; and

(B) Shall expunge all the records of a juvenile upon his or her twenty-first birthday in a delinquency case.

(3) For purposes of this section, “expunge” means to destroy.

(c) Records of a juvenile who is designated as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender shall be kept for ten (10) years after the last adjudication of delinquency, date of plea of guilty or nolo contendere, or finding of guilt as an adult or until the juvenile's twenty-first birthday, whichever is longer.

(d)(1) If an adult criminal sentence is imposed on an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender, the record of that case shall be considered an adult criminal record.

(2)(A) The court shall enter an order transferring the juvenile record to the clerk who is the custodian of adult criminal records.

(B) The clerk shall assign a criminal docket number and shall maintain the file as if the case had originated as a criminal case.

(e) This section does not apply to nor restrict the use or publication of statistics, data, or other materials that summarize or refer to any records, reports, statements, notes, or other information in the aggregate and that do not refer to or disclose the identity of any juvenile defendant in any proceeding when used only for the purpose of research and study.

(f) This subchapter does not preclude a prosecuting attorney or the court from providing information, upon written request, concerning the disposition of a juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent to:

(1) The victim or his or her next of kin; or

(2) The school superintendent of the school district or the designee of the school superintendent of the school district:

(A) To which the juvenile transfers;

(B) In which the juvenile is enrolled; or

(C) From which the juvenile receives services.

(g) The prosecuting attorney shall notify the school superintendent or the designee of the school superintendent of the school district to which the juvenile transfers, in which the juvenile is enrolled, or from which the juvenile receives services if the juvenile is adjudicated delinquent for:

(1) An offense:

(A) For which the juvenile could have been charged as an adult; or

(B) Involving a deadly weapon as defined in § 5-1-102;

(2) Kidnapping under § 5-11-102;

(3) Battery in the first degree under § 5-13-201;

(4) Sexual indecency with a child under § 5-14-110;

(5) Sexual assault in the first degree, § 5-14-124;

(6) Sexual assault in the second degree, § 5-14-125;

(7) Sexual assault in the third degree, § 5-14-126;

(8) Sexual assault in the fourth degree, § 5-14-127; or

(9) The unlawful possession of a handgun under § 5-73-119.

(h) Information provided under subsections (f) and (g) of this section shall not be released in violation of any state or federal law protecting the privacy of the juvenile.

(i)(1) If a juvenile is arrested for unlawful possession of a firearm under § 5-73-119, an offense involving a deadly weapon as defined in § 5-1-102, or battery in the first degree under § 5-13-201, the arresting agency shall orally notify the superintendent or the designee of the superintendent of the school district to which the juvenile transfers, in which the juvenile is enrolled, or from which the juvenile receives services of the offense for which the juvenile was arrested or detained within twenty-four (24) hours of the arrest or detention or before the next school day, whichever is earlier.

(2)(A) The superintendent of the school district to which the juvenile

transfers, in which the juvenile is enrolled, or from which the juvenile receives services shall then immediately notify:

(i) The principal of the school;

(ii) The resource officer of the school; and

(iii) Any other school official with a legitimate educational interest in the juvenile.

(B) The arrest information shall:

(i) Be treated as confidential information; and

(ii) Not be disclosed by the superintendent or the designee of the superintendent to any person other than a person listed in subdivision (i)(2)(A) of this section.

(C) A person listed in subdivision (i)(2)(A) of this section who is notified of the arrest or detention of a juvenile by the superintendent or the designee of the superintendent shall maintain the confidentiality of the information he or she receives.

(3) The arrest information shall be used by the school only for the limited purpose of obtaining services for the juvenile or to ensure school safety.

(j) Records of the arrest of a juvenile, the detention of a juvenile, proceedings under this subchapter, and the records of an investigation that is conducted when the alleged offender is an adult and relates to an offense that occurred when the alleged offender was a juvenile shall be confidential and shall not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq., unless:

(1) Authorized by a written order of the juvenile division of circuit court;

(2) The arrest or the proceedings under this subchapter result in the juvenile's being formally charged in the criminal division of circuit court for a felony; or

(3) Allowed under this section or § 9-35-414.

(k) Information regarding the arrest or detention of a juvenile and related juvenile proceedings shall be confidential unless the exchange of information is:

(1) For the purpose of obtaining services for the juvenile, to ensure school safety, or to ensure public safety;

(2) Reasonably necessary to achieve one (1) or more purposes; and

(3) Under a written order by the circuit court.

(l)(1) The information regarding the arrest or detention of a juvenile and related juvenile proceedings may be given only to the following persons:

(A) A school counselor;

(B) A juvenile court probation officer or caseworker;

(C) A law enforcement officer;

(D) A spiritual representative designated by the juvenile or his or her parents or legal guardian;

(E) A Department of Human Services caseworker;

(F) A community-based provider designated by the court, the school, or the parent or legal guardian of the juvenile;

(G) A Department of Health representative;

(H) The juvenile's attorney ad litem or other court-appointed special advocate; or

(I)(i) A school superintendent or the designee of the superintendent of the school district to which the juvenile transfers, in which the juvenile is enrolled, or from which the juvenile receives services.

(ii) A school superintendent or the designee of the superintendent of the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services shall immediately notify the following persons of information he or she obtains under subdivision (l)(1)(I)(i) of this section:

(a) The principal of the school;

(b) The resource officer of the school; and

(c) Any other school official with a legitimate educational interest in the juvenile.

(2) The persons listed in subdivision (l)(1) of this section may meet to:

(A) Exchange information;

(B) Discuss options for assistance to the juvenile;

(C) Develop and implement a plan of action to assist the juvenile;

(D) Ensure school safety; and

(E) Ensure public safety.

(3) The juvenile and his or her parent or legal guardian shall be notified within a reasonable time before a meeting and may attend any meeting of the persons referred to in subdivision (l)(1) of this section when three (3) or more individuals meet to discuss assistance for the juvenile or protection of the public due to the juvenile's behavior.

(4) Medical records, psychiatric records, psychological records, and related information shall remain confidential unless the juvenile's parent or legal guardian waives confidentiality in writing specifically describing the records to be disclosed between the persons listed in subdivision (l)(1) of this section and the purpose for the disclosure.

(5) Persons listed in subdivision (l)(1) of this section who exchange any information referred to in this section may be held civilly liable for disclosure of the information if the person does not comply with limitations set forth in this section.

(m)(1) When a court orders that a juvenile shall have a safety plan that restricts or requires supervised contact with another juvenile or juveniles as it relates to student or school safety, the court shall direct that a copy of the safety plan and a copy of the court order regarding the safety plan concerning student or school safety be provided to the school superintendent and principal of the school district:

(A) To which the juvenile transfers;

(B) In which the juvenile is enrolled; or

(C) From which the juvenile receives services.

(2) When a court order amends or removes any safety plan under subdivision (m)(1) of this section, the court shall direct that a copy of the safety plan

and a copy of the court order regarding the safety plan, as it relates to student or school safety, be provided to the school superintendent and principal of the school district:

(A) To which the juvenile transfers;

(B) In which the juvenile is enrolled; or

(C) From which the juvenile receives services.

(3)(A) The superintendent or principal of the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services shall provide verbal notification only to school officials who are necessary to implement the safety plan as ordered by the court to ensure student safety.

(B) The verbal notification under subdivision (m)(3)(A) of this section may be provided only to assistant principals, counselors, resource officers, and the school employees who are primarily responsible for the supervision of the juvenile or responsible for the learning environment of the juvenile in the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled or from which the juvenile receives services, and to bus drivers, if applicable.

(4) A school official that receive a court order and safety plan or information concerning the court order and safety plan shall:

(A) Keep the information confidential and shall sign a statement not to disclose the information concerning the court order and safety plan that shall be kept by the superintendent or principal along with the court order and safety plan;

(B) Keep the information confidential and shall not disclose the information to any person not listed in subdivision (l)(1) of this section;

(C) Include the information in the juvenile's permanent educational records; and

(D)(i) Treat the information and documentation contained in the court order as education records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, as it existed on January 1, 2025.

(ii) A school official shall not release, disclose, or make available the information and documentation contained in the court order for inspection to any party except as permitted under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, as it existed on January 1, 2025.

(iii) However, the local education agency shall not release, disclose, or make available for inspection to the public, any college, university, institution of higher education, vocational or trade school, or any past, present, or future employer of the student the court order or safety plan portion of a student record.

(5) When a student attains an age that he or she is no longer under the jurisdiction of the juvenile division of circuit court, the safety plan and the order regarding the safety plan shall be removed from the juvenile's permanent records at the local education agency and destroyed.

9-35-406. Commencement of proceedings.

(a) A proceeding shall be commenced by filing a petition with the circuit clerk

of the circuit court or by transfer by another court.

(b)(1) The prosecuting attorney shall have sole authority to file a delinquency petition or petition for revocation of probation.

(2) A petition for paternity establishment may be filed by:

(A) The biological mother;

(B) A putative father;

(C) A juvenile; or

(D) The Office of Child Support Enforcement.

(c) Concurrent with filing, the petitioner shall mail a copy of any petition that requests that the Department of Human Services take custody or provide family services to the:

(1) Secretary of the Department of Human Services; and

(2) Attorney of the local Office of Chief Counsel of the Department of Human Services.

(d)(1) A person may submit a complaint of an act or omission to the intake officer that, if substantiated, would constitute delinquency.

(2) The intake officer may refer the matter to the prosecuting attorney or an appropriate agency upon the complaint's substantiation.

(e) A fee, including without limitation a fee for filing, copying, or faxing, including a fee for a petition for adoption or a fee for a guardianship, summons, or subpoena, shall not be charged or collected by the circuit clerk or sheriff's office in a case brought in the circuit court under this subchapter by a governmental entity or nonprofit corporation, including without limitation:

(1) The prosecuting attorney;

(2) An attorney ad litem appointed in a dependency-neglect case; or

(3) The Department of Human Services.

(f) If the circuit clerk's office has a fax machine, the circuit clerk, in a case commenced in the circuit court under this subchapter by a governmental entity or nonprofit corporation, including without limitation the prosecuting attorney, an attorney ad litem appointed in a dependency-neglect case, or the Department of Human Services, shall accept facsimile transmissions of any papers filed under this subchapter as described in Rule 5 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

9-35-407. Required contents of petition.

(a) The petition shall set forth the following:

(1) The name, address, gender, Social Security number, and date of birth of each juvenile subject of the petition;

(2) The name and address of each of the parents or the surviving parent of the juvenile or juveniles;

(3) The name and address of the person, agency, or institution having custody of the juvenile or juveniles;

(4) The name and address of any other person, agency, or institution having a claim to custody or guardianship of the juvenile or juveniles; and

(5) In a proceeding to establish paternity, the name and address of

both the putative father and the presumed legal father, if any.

(b) If the name or address of anyone listed in subsection (a) of this section is unknown or cannot be ascertained by the petitioner with reasonable diligence, this fact shall be alleged in the petition and the petition shall not be dismissed for insufficiency, but the court shall direct appropriate measures to find and give notice to the person.

(c)(1) A person named in subdivisions (a)(1)-(3) of this section shall be made a defendant and served as required by this subchapter.

(d) The petition shall set forth the following in plain and concise words:

(1) The facts that, if proven, would bring the family or juvenile within the court's jurisdiction;

(2) The section of this subchapter upon which jurisdiction for the petition is based;

(3) The relief requested by the petitioner; and

(4) Any and all sections of the criminal laws allegedly violated.

9-35-408. Notification to defendants.

A copy of the petition and either a notice of hearing or order to appear shall be served in the manner provided by the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure to:

(1) A juvenile defendant ten (10) years of age and older;

(2) A person having care and control of the juvenile; and

(3) All adult defendants.

9-35-409. Taking into custody.

(a)(1) A juvenile may be taken into custody without a warrant before service upon him or her of a petition and notice of hearing or order to appear as set out under § 9-35-408 only as follows:

(A) By an order of the circuit court under this subchapter;

(B) By a law enforcement officer without a warrant under circumstances as set forth in Rule 4.1 of the Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure; or

(C) By a designated person under § 12-18-1001 et seq.

(2) When a juvenile is taken into custody without a warrant, the officer taking the juvenile into custody shall immediately make every effort possible to notify the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile's location.

(b)(1) When a juvenile is taken into custody pursuant to a warrant, the officer taking the juvenile into custody shall immediately take the juvenile before the judge of the division of circuit court out of which the warrant was issued and make every effort possible to notify the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile's location.

(2) The judge shall decide whether the juvenile should be tried as a delinquent or as a criminal defendant under § 9-35-412.

(c)(1)(A) A law enforcement officer shall take a juvenile to detention, immediately make every effort to notify the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian

of the juvenile's location, and notify the juvenile intake officer within twenty-four (24) hours so that a petition may be filed if a juvenile is taken into custody for:

(i) Unlawful possession of a handgun, § 5-73-119(a)(1);

(ii) Possession of a handgun on school property, § 5-73-119(b)(1);

(iii) Unlawful discharge of a firearm from a vehicle, § 5-74-107;

(iv) Any felony committed while armed with a firearm; or

(v) Criminal use of prohibited weapons, § 5-73-104.

(B) The authority of a juvenile intake officer to make a detention decision under § 9-35-416 shall not apply when a juvenile is detained under subdivision (c)(1)(A) of this section.

(C) The court shall hold a detention hearing under § 9-35-420 within:

(i) Seventy-two (72) hours after the juvenile is taken into custody; or

(ii) If the seventy-two (72) hours ends on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, on the next business day after the juvenile is taken into custody.

(2) If a juvenile is taken into custody for an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult, other than a felony listed in subdivision (c)(1)(A) of this section, the law enforcement officer shall immediately make every effort possible to notify the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile's location and may:

(A)(i) Take the juvenile to detention.

(ii) The intake officer shall be notified immediately to make a detention decision under § 9-35-416 within twenty-four (24) hours of the time the juvenile was first taken into custody, and the prosecuting attorney shall be notified within twenty-four (24) hours.

(iii) If the juvenile remains in detention, a detention hearing shall be held no later than seventy-two (72) hours after the juvenile is taken into custody or if the seventy-two (72) hours ends on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, on the next business day;

(B) Under the Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure, issue a citation for the juvenile and his or her parents to appear for a first appearance before the court and release the juvenile and within twenty-four (24) hours notify the juvenile intake officer and the prosecuting attorney so that a petition may be filed under this subchapter; or

(C) Return the juvenile to his or her home.

(3) If a juvenile is taken into custody for an act that would be a misdemeanor if committed by an adult, the law enforcement officer shall immediately make every effort possible to notify the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile's location and may:

(A) Notify the juvenile intake officer, who shall make a detention decision under § 9-35-416;

(B)(i) Under the Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure, issue a

citation for the juvenile and his or her parents to appear for a first appearance before the circuit court; and

(ii) Release the juvenile and notify the juvenile intake officer and the prosecuting attorney within twenty-four (24) hours so that a petition may be filed under this subchapter; or

(C) Return the juvenile to his or her home.

(4)(A) In all instances when a juvenile may be detained, the juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility or a seventy-two-hour holdover if a bed is available in the juvenile detention facility or holdover.

(B) If a bed is not available under subdivision (c)(4)(A) of this section, an adult jail or lock-up may be used, as provided under § 9-35-425.

(5) In all instances when a juvenile may be detained, the intake officer shall immediately make every effort possible to notify the juvenile's custodial parent, guardian, or custodian.

(d) When a law enforcement officer takes custody of a juvenile under this subchapter for reasons other than those specified in subsection (c) of this section, he or she shall:

(1)(A)(i) Take the juvenile to shelter care, notify the department and the intake officer of the court, and immediately make every possible effort to notify the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile's location.

(ii) The notification to parents shall be in writing and shall include a notice of the location of the juvenile, of the juvenile's and parents' rights to receive a copy of any petition filed under this subchapter, of the location and telephone number of the court, and of the procedure for obtaining a hearing.

(B)(i) In cases when the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives beyond a fifty-mile driving distance or lives out of state and the juvenile has been absent from his or her home or domicile for more than twenty-four (24) hours, the juvenile may be held in custody in a juvenile detention facility for purposes of identification, processing, or arranging for release or transfer to an alternative facility.

(ii) The holding shall be limited to the minimum time necessary to complete these actions and shall not occur in any facility utilized for incarceration of adults.

(iii) A juvenile held under this subdivision (d)(1)(B) shall be separated from detained juveniles charged or held for delinquency.

(iv) A juvenile shall not be held under this subdivision (d)(1)(B) for more than six (6) hours if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives in the state or twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays, if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives out of state; or

(2) Return the juvenile to his or her home.

(e) If no delinquency petition to adjudicate a juvenile taken into custody is filed within twenty-four (24) hours after a detention hearing or ninety-six (96) hours or, if the ninety-six (96) hours ends on a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, at the close of the next business day, after an alleged delinquent juvenile is taken into custody,

whichever is sooner, the alleged delinquent juvenile shall be discharged from custody, detention, or shelter care.

9-35-410. Right to counsel.

(a)(1) In a delinquency case, a juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian shall be advised by the law enforcement official taking a juvenile into custody, by the intake officer at the initial intake interview, and by the court at the juvenile's first appearance before the circuit court that the juvenile has the right to be represented at all stages of the proceedings by counsel.

(2) An extended juvenile jurisdiction offender shall have a right to counsel at every stage of the proceedings, including all reviews.

(b)(1)(A) The inquiry concerning the ability of the juvenile to retain counsel shall include a consideration of the juvenile's financial resources and the financial resources of his or her family.

(B) However, the failure of the juvenile's family to retain counsel for the juvenile shall not deprive the juvenile of the right to appointed counsel if required under this section.

(2) After review by the court of an affidavit of financial means completed and verified by the parent of the juvenile and a determination by the court that the parent or juvenile has the ability to pay, the court may order financially able juveniles, parents, guardians, or custodians to pay all or part of reasonable attorney's fees and expenses for representation of a juvenile.

(3) All moneys collected by the circuit clerk under this subsection shall be retained by the circuit clerk and deposited into a special fund to be known as the “juvenile representation fund”.

(4) The court may direct that money from the juvenile representation fund be used in providing counsel for juveniles under this section in a delinquency or family in need of services case and indigent parents or guardians in dependency-neglect cases as provided by § 9-35-208, § 9-35-311(e), and subsection (e) of this section.

(5) Any money remaining in the juvenile representation fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to any other fund but shall carry over into the next fiscal year in the juvenile representation fund.

(c) If counsel is not retained for the juvenile or it does not appear that counsel will be retained, counsel shall be appointed to represent the juvenile at all appearances before the court unless the right to counsel is waived as set forth under § 9-35-411.

(d) In a proceeding in which the judge determines that there is a reasonable likelihood that the proceeding may result in the juvenile's commitment to an institution in which the freedom of the juvenile would be curtailed and counsel has not been retained for the juvenile, the court shall appoint counsel for the juvenile.

(e) Appointment of counsel shall be made at a time sufficiently in advance of the court appearance to allow adequate preparation by appointed counsel and adequate consultation between the appointed counsel and the client.

9-35-411. Waiver of right to counsel — Detention of juvenile — Questioning.

(a) Waiver of the right to counsel at a delinquency hearing shall be accepted only upon a finding by the court from clear and convincing evidence, after questioning the juvenile, that:

(1) The juvenile understands the full implications of the right to counsel;

(2) The juvenile freely, voluntarily, and intelligently wishes to waive the right to counsel; and

(3) The parent, guardian, custodian, or counsel for the juvenile has agreed with the juvenile's waiver of the right to counsel.

(b) The agreement of the parent, guardian, custodian, or counsel for the juvenile to the juvenile's waiver of the right to counsel shall be accepted by the court only if the court finds:

(1) That the person has freely, voluntarily, and intelligently made the decision to agree with the juvenile's waiver of the right to counsel;

(2) That the person has no interest adverse to the juvenile; and

(3) That the person has consulted with the juvenile in regard to the juvenile's waiver of the right to counsel.

(c) In determining whether a juvenile's waiver of the right to counsel at any stage of the proceeding was made freely, voluntarily, and intelligently, the court shall consider all the circumstances of the waiver, including without limitation:

(1) The juvenile's physical, mental, and emotional maturity;

(2) Whether the juvenile understood the consequences of the waiver;

(3) In cases in which the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian agreed with the juvenile's waiver of the right to counsel, whether the parent, guardian, or custodian understood the consequences of the waiver;

(4) Whether the juvenile and his or her custodial parent, guardian, or custodian were informed of the alleged delinquent act;

(5) Whether the waiver of the right to counsel was the result of any coercion, force, or inducement;

(6) Whether the juvenile and his or her custodial parent, guardian, or custodian had been advised of the juvenile's right to remain silent and to the appointment of counsel and had waived such rights; and

(7) Whether the juvenile's waiver of the right to counsel was recorded in audio or video format and the circumstances surrounding the availability or unavailability of the recorded waiver.

(d) No waiver of the right to counsel shall be accepted in any case in which the parent, guardian, or custodian has filed a petition against the juvenile, initiated the filing of a petition against the juvenile, or requested the removal of the juvenile from the home.

(e) No waiver of the right to counsel shall be accepted in any case in which counsel was appointed due to the likelihood of the juvenile's commitment to an institution under § 9-35-410(d).

(f) No waiver of counsel shall be accepted when a juvenile has been designated an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender.

(g) No waiver of the right to counsel shall be accepted when a juvenile is in the custody of the Department of Human Services, including the Division of Youth Services.

(h)(1) All waivers of the right to counsel under this section, except those made in the presence of the court under subsection (a) of this section, shall be:

(A) In writing; and

(B) Signed by the juvenile.

(2)(A) When a custodial parent, guardian, or custodian cannot be located or is located and refuses to go to the place where the juvenile is being held, counsel shall be appointed for the juvenile.

(B) Procedures shall then be the same as if the juvenile had invoked counsel.

(i)(1)(A) When a law enforcement officer has reasonable cause to believe that a juvenile found at or near the scene of a felony is a witness to the offense, he or she may stop that juvenile.

(B) After having stopped the juvenile under subdivision (i)(1)(A) of this section and identified himself or herself, the law enforcement officer:

(i) Shall advise the juvenile of the purpose of the stopping; and

(ii) May then demand of the juvenile his or her name, address, and any information the juvenile may have regarding the offense.

(C) A detention under this subsection shall in all cases be reasonable and shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes, unless the juvenile refuses to give the information under subdivision (i)(1)(B)(ii) of this section, in which case the juvenile, if detained further, shall immediately be brought before any judicial officer or prosecuting attorney to be examined with reference to his or her name, address, or the information the juvenile may have regarding the offense.

(2)(A) A law enforcement officer who takes a juvenile into custody for a delinquent act or criminal offense shall advise the juvenile of his or her Miranda rights in the juvenile's own language.

(B) A law enforcement officer shall not question a juvenile who has been taken into custody for a delinquent act or criminal offense until the law enforcement officer has advised the juvenile of his or her Miranda rights under subdivision (i)(2)(C) of this section in the juvenile's own language.

(C) A law enforcement officer shall not question a juvenile who has been taken into custody for a delinquent act or criminal offense if the juvenile has indicated in any manner that he or she:

(i) Does not wish to be questioned;

(ii) Wishes to speak with his or her custodial parent, guardian, or custodian or to have that person present; or

(iii) Wishes to consult counsel before submitting to any questioning.

(D) Any waiver of the right to counsel by a juvenile shall conform to subsection (h) of this section.

9-35-412. Filing and transfer to criminal division of circuit court.

(a) The state may proceed with a case as a delinquency only when the case involves a juvenile:

(1) Fifteen (15) years of age or younger when the alleged delinquent act occurred, except as provided under subdivision (c)(2) of this section; or

(2) Less than eighteen (18) years of age when he or she engages in conduct that if committed by an adult would be any misdemeanor.

(b) The state may file a motion in the juvenile division of circuit court to transfer a case to the criminal division of circuit court or to designate a juvenile as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender when a case involves a juvenile:

(1) Fourteen (14) or fifteen (15) years of age when he or she engages in conduct that if committed by an adult would be:

(A) Murder in the second degree, § 5-10-103;

(B) Battery in the second degree in violation of § 5-13-202(a)(2), § 5-13-202(a)(3), or § 5-13-202(a)(4);

(C) Possession of a handgun on school property, § 5-73-119(b)(1)(A);

(D) Aggravated assault, § 5-13-204;

(E) Unlawful discharge of a firearm from a vehicle, § 5-74-107;

(F) Any felony committed while armed with a firearm;

(G) Soliciting or recruiting a minor to join or to remain a member of a criminal gang, organization, or enterprise, § 5-74-203;

(H) Criminal use of prohibited weapons, § 5-73-104;

(I) First degree escape, § 5-54-110;

(J) Second degree escape, § 5-54-111; or

(K) A felony attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to commit any of the following offenses:

(i) Capital murder, § 5-10-101;

(ii) Murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102;

(iii) Murder in the second degree, § 5-10-103;

(iv) Kidnapping, § 5-11-102;

(v) Aggravated robbery, § 5-12-103;

(vi) Rape, § 5-14-103;

(vii) Battery in the first degree, § 5-13-201;

(viii) First degree escape, § 5-54-110; and

(ix) Second degree escape, § 5-54-111;

(2) At least fourteen (14) years of age when he or she engages in conduct that constitutes a felony under § 5-73-119(a); or

(3) At least fourteen (14) years of age when he or she:

(A) Engages in conduct that, if committed by an adult, constitutes a felony; and

(B) Has, within the preceding two (2) years, three (3) times been adjudicated as a delinquent juvenile for acts that would have constituted felonies if those acts had been committed by an adult.

(c) A prosecuting attorney may charge a juvenile in either the juvenile division of circuit court or criminal division of circuit court when a case involves a juvenile:

(1) At least sixteen (16) years of age when he or she engages in conduct that, if committed by an adult, would be any felony; or

(2) Fourteen (14) or fifteen (15) years of age when he or she engages in conduct that, if committed by an adult, would be:

(A) Capital murder, § 5-10-101;

(B) Murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102;

(C) Kidnapping, § 5-11-102;

(D) Aggravated robbery, § 5-12-103;

(E) Rape, § 5-14-103;

(F) Battery in the first degree, § 5-13-201; or

(G) Terroristic act, § 5-13-310.

(d) If a prosecuting attorney can file charges in the criminal division of circuit court for an act allegedly committed by a juvenile, the state may file any other criminal charges that arise out of the same act or course of conduct in the same division of the circuit court case if, after a hearing before the juvenile division of circuit court, a transfer is so ordered.

(e) Upon the motion of the court or of any party, the judge of the division of circuit court in which a delinquency petition or criminal charges have been filed shall conduct a transfer hearing to determine whether to transfer the case to another division of circuit court.

(f) The court shall conduct a transfer hearing within thirty (30) days if the juvenile is detained and no longer than ninety (90) days from the date of the motion to transfer the case.

(g) In the transfer hearing, the court shall consider all of the following factors:

(1) The seriousness of the alleged offense and whether the protection of society requires prosecution in the criminal division of circuit court;

(2) Whether the alleged offense was committed in an aggressive, violent, premeditated, or willful manner;

(3) Whether the alleged offense was against a person or property, with greater weight being given to offenses against persons, especially if personal injury resulted;

(4) The culpability of the juvenile, including the level of planning and participation in the alleged offense;

(5) The previous history of the juvenile, including whether the juvenile had been adjudicated a juvenile offender and, if so, whether the offenses were against persons or property, and any other previous history of antisocial behavior or patterns of physical violence;

(6) The sophistication or maturity of the juvenile as determined by consideration of the juvenile's home, environment, emotional attitude, pattern of

living, or desire to be treated as an adult;

(7) Whether there are facilities or programs available to the judge of the juvenile division of circuit court that are likely to rehabilitate the juvenile before the expiration of the juvenile's twenty-first birthday;

(8) Whether the juvenile acted alone or was part of a group in the commission of the alleged offense;

(9) Written reports and other materials relating to the juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history; and

(10) Any other factors deemed relevant by the judge.

(h)(1) The court shall make written findings on all of the factors under subsection (g) of this section.

(2) The judge shall enter an order to transfer a case to another division of circuit court upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence.

(i) The criminal division of circuit court may enter an order to transfer as an extended juvenile jurisdiction case upon a finding by the criminal division of circuit court that a juvenile fourteen (14) through seventeen (17) years of age and charged with the crimes in subdivision (c)(2) of this section should be transferred to the juvenile division of circuit court.

(j) The judge shall enter a juvenile delinquency disposition under § 9-35-423 if a juvenile fourteen (14) or fifteen (15) years of age is found guilty in the criminal division of circuit court for an offense other than an offense listed in subsection (b) or subdivision (c)(2) of this section.

(k) If the case is transferred to another division of circuit court, any bail or appearance bond given for the appearance of the juvenile shall continue in effect in the division to which the case is transferred.

(l) Any party may appeal from a transfer order.

(m) The circuit court may conduct a transfer hearing and an extended juvenile jurisdiction designation hearing under § 9-27-503 at the same time.

9-35-413. Double jeopardy.

(a) A juvenile who has been subjected to an adjudication pursuant to a petition alleging him or her to be delinquent shall not be tried later under criminal charges based upon facts alleged in the petition to find him or her delinquent.

(b) A juvenile who has been tried for a violation of the criminal laws of this state shall not be later subjected to a delinquency proceeding arising out of the facts that formed the basis of the criminal charges.

9-35-414. Fingerprinting or photographing.

(a)(1) When a juvenile is arrested for any offense that if committed by an adult would constitute a Class Y, Class A, or Class B felony, the juvenile shall be photographed and fingerprinted by the law enforcement agency.

(2) In the case of an allegation of delinquency, a juvenile shall not be photographed or fingerprinted under this subchapter by any law enforcement agency unless he or she has been taken into custody for the commission of an offense that,

if committed by an adult, would constitute a Class Y, Class A, or Class B felony.

(b)(1) Copies of a juvenile's fingerprints and photographs shall be made available only to other law enforcement agencies, the Arkansas Crime Information Center, prosecuting attorneys, and the juvenile division of circuit court.

(2) Photographs and fingerprints of juveniles adjudicated delinquent for offenses for which they could have been tried as adults shall be made available to prosecuting attorneys and circuit courts for use at sentencing in subsequent adult criminal proceedings against those same individuals.

(3)(A) When a juvenile departs without authorization from a youth services center or other facility operated by the Division of Youth Services for the care of alleged or adjudicated delinquent juveniles, if at the time of departure the juvenile is committed or detained for an offense for which the juvenile could have been tried as an adult, the Director of the Division of Youth Services shall release to the general public the name, age, and description of the juvenile and any other pertinent information the Director of the Division of Youth Services deems necessary to aid in the apprehension of the juvenile and to safeguard the public welfare.

(B) When a juvenile departs without authorization from the Arkansas State Hospital, if at the time of departure the juvenile is committed as a result of an acquittal on the grounds of mental disease or defect for an offense for which the juvenile could have been tried as an adult, the Director of the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services shall release to the general public the name, age, and description of the juvenile and any other pertinent information the Director of the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services deems necessary to aid in the apprehension of the juvenile and to safeguard the public welfare.

(C) When a juvenile departs without authorization from a local juvenile detention facility, if at the time of departure the juvenile is committed or detained for an offense for which the juvenile could have been tried as an adult, the director of the juvenile detention facility shall release to the general public the name, age, and description of the juvenile and any other pertinent information the director of the juvenile detention facility deems necessary to aid in the apprehension of the juvenile and to safeguard the public welfare.

(c) Each law enforcement agency in the state shall keep a separate file of photographs and fingerprints, it being the intention that the photographs and fingerprints of juveniles not be kept in the same file with those of adults.

(d) When a juvenile is adjudicated delinquent for an offense for which the juvenile could be charged as an adult:

(1) The arresting law enforcement agency shall ensure that the fingerprints and photograph of the juvenile have been properly taken and submitted; and

(2) The court shall submit the adjudicated delinquent information to the center.

(e) If the juvenile is found not to have committed the alleged delinquent act, the court:

(1) May order a law enforcement agency to return all pictures and fingerprints to the circuit court; and

(2) Shall order the law enforcement agency that took the juvenile into custody to mark the arrest record with the notation “found not to have committed the alleged offense”.

(f) The center shall create a form to be used for the reporting and expungement of information pertaining to juveniles.

(g) If a juvenile is arrested for a Class Y, Class A, or Class B felony but not charged, the prosecuting attorney shall submit the information to the center, and the records regarding the arrest of the juvenile shall be removed from the center's records.

9-35-415. Statements not admissible.

Statements made by a juvenile to the intake officer or probation officer during the intake process before a hearing on the merits of the petition filed against the juvenile shall not be used or be admissible against the juvenile at any stage of any proceedings in circuit court or in any other court.

9-35-416. Release from custody.

(a) Upon receiving notice that a juvenile has been taken into custody on an allegation of delinquency, the intake officer shall immediately notify the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian of the location at which the juvenile is being held and of the reasons for the juvenile's detention if the notification has not previously taken place and shall:

(1) Unconditionally release the juvenile to the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian;

(2) Release the juvenile to the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian upon the written promise of the parent, guardian, or custodian to bring the juvenile before the court when summoned;

(3) Release the juvenile to the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian upon written conditions to ensure the juvenile will be brought before the court;

(4) Pending court review, place the juvenile in shelter care if unable to locate the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian;

(5) Pending court review, place the juvenile on electronic monitoring; or

(6) Detain the juvenile pending a detention hearing before the circuit court.

(b) Criteria for Release by Intake Officer.

(1) In determining whether to detain a juvenile who has been taken into custody on an allegation of delinquency pending a detention hearing, the intake officer shall consider the following facts:

(A) Ties to the community, including:

(i) Place and length of residence;

(ii) School attendance;

(iii) Present and past employment;

(iv) Family relationships; and

(v) References; and

(B) The nature of the alleged offense, including:

(i) Whether the offense would constitute a felony or misdemeanor;

(ii) The use of force or violence;

(iii) Prior juvenile or criminal record; and

(iv) Any history of failure to appear for court appearances.

(2) The intake officer may determine that there is no less restrictive alternative to detention if detention is necessary:

(A) To prevent imminent bodily harm to the juvenile or to another; or

(B) To prevent flight when the juvenile is a fugitive or escapee from another jurisdiction.

(3) Only if a substantial number of the facts considered under subdivision (b)(1) of this section weigh against the juvenile or one (1) of the two (2) circumstances in subdivision (b)(2) of this section exists shall the juvenile be detained pending a detention hearing by the court.

(c) The juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian shall not be charged the cost of detention, shelter, or electronic monitoring authorized by a juvenile officer under subsection (a) of this section.

9-35-417. Diversion — Conditions — Agreement — Completion — Definition.

(a) If the prosecuting attorney, after consultation with the intake officer, determines that a diversion of a delinquency case is in the best interests of the juvenile and the community, the intake officer with the consent of the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian may attempt to make a satisfactory diversion of a case.

(b) If the intake officer determines that a diversion of a family in need of services case is in the best interest of the juvenile and the community, the intake officer with the consent of the petitioner, juvenile, and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian may attempt to make a satisfactory diversion of a case.

(c) In addition to the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of this section, a diversion of a case is subject to the following conditions:

(1) The juvenile has admitted his or her involvement in:

(A) A delinquent act for a delinquency diversion; or

(B) A family in need of services act for a family in need of services diversion;

(2) The intake officer advises the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian that they have the right to refuse a diversion of the case and demand the filing of a petition and a formal adjudication;

(3) Any diversion agreement is entered into voluntarily and intelligently

by the juvenile with the advice of his or her attorney or by the juvenile with the consent of a parent, guardian, or custodian if the juvenile is not represented by counsel;

(4) The diversion agreement provides for the supervision of a juvenile or the referral of the juvenile to a public or private agency for services not to exceed six (6) months;

(5) All other terms of a diversion agreement do not exceed nine (9) months; and

(6) The juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian shall have the right to terminate the diversion agreement at any time and to request the filing of a petition and a formal adjudication.

(d)(1) The terms of the diversion agreement under this section shall:

(A) Be in writing in simple, ordinary, and understandable language;

(B) State that the diversion agreement was entered into voluntarily by the juvenile;

(C) Name the attorney or other person who advised the juvenile upon the juvenile's entering into the diversion agreement; and

(D) Be signed by all parties to the diversion agreement and by the prosecuting attorney if it is a delinquency case and the offense would constitute a felony if committed by an adult or a family in need of services case under § 6-18-222.

(2) A copy of the diversion agreement shall be given to the juvenile, the counsel for the juvenile, the parent, guardian, or custodian, and the intake officer, who shall retain the copy in the case file.

(e) Diversion agreements shall be:

(1) Implemented by all juvenile courts based on validated assessment tools; and

(2) Used to provide for:

(A) Nonjudicial probation under the supervision of the intake officer or probation officer for a period during which the juvenile may be required to comply with specified conditions concerning his or her conduct and activities;

(B) Participation in a court-approved program of education, counseling, or treatment;

(C) Participation in a court-approved teen court;

(D) Participation in a juvenile drug court program;

(E) Enrollment in the Regional Educational Career Alternative School System for Adjudicated Youth; and

(F)(i) Payment of restitution to the victim.

(ii) Payments of restitution under subdivision (e)(2)(F)(i) of this section shall be paid under § 16-13-326.

(f)(1) If a diversion of a complaint has been made, a petition based upon the events out of which the original complaint arose may be filed only during the period for which the diversion agreement was entered into.

(2) If a petition is filed within this period, the juvenile's compliance with all proper and reasonable terms of the diversion agreement shall be grounds for dismissal of the petition by the court.

(g) The diversion agreement may be terminated, and the prosecuting attorney in a delinquency case or the petitioner in a family in need of services case may file a petition if at any time during the diversion agreement period:

(1) The juvenile or his or her parent, guardian, or custodian declines to further participate in the diversion process;

(2) The juvenile fails, without reasonable excuse, to attend a scheduled conference;

(3) The juvenile appears unable or unwilling to benefit from the diversion process; or

(4) The intake officer becomes apprised of new or additional information that indicates that further efforts at diversion would not be in the best interest of the juvenile or society.

(h) Upon the satisfactory completion of the diversion period:

(1) The juvenile shall be dismissed without further proceedings;

(2) The intake officer shall furnish written notice of the dismissal to the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian; and

(3) The complaint and the diversion agreement, and all references to the complaint and the diversion agreement, may be expunged by the court from the juvenile's file.

(i)(1) A juvenile intake officer or probation officer may charge a diversion fee only after review of an affidavit of financial means and a determination of the juvenile's or the juvenile's parent's, guardian's, or custodian's ability to pay the fee.

(2) The diversion fee shall not exceed twenty dollars ($20.00) per month payable to the juvenile division of circuit court.

(3) The court may direct that the fees be collected by the juvenile officer, sheriff, or court clerk for the county in which the fees are charged.

(4) The officer designated by the court to collect diversion fees shall maintain receipts and account for all incoming fees and shall deposit the fees at least weekly into the county treasury of the county where the fees are collected and in which diversion services are provided.

(5) The diversion fees shall be deposited into the account with the juvenile service fees under § 16-13-326.

(j)(1) In judicial districts having more than one (1) county, the judge may designate the treasurer of one (1) of the counties in the district as the depository of all juvenile division of circuit court fees collected in the district.

(2) The treasurer designated by the court shall maintain a separate account of the juvenile division of circuit court fees collected and expended in each county in the district.

(3) Money remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to any other fund but shall carry over to the next fiscal year.

(4) The funds derived from the collection of diversion fees shall be

used by agreement of the judge or judges of the circuit court designated to hear juvenile cases in their district plan pursuant to Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 14, originally issued on April 6, 2001, and the quorum court of the county to provide services and supplies to juveniles at the discretion of the juvenile division of circuit court.

(k)(1) The Department of Human Services shall develop a statewide referral protocol for helping to coordinate the delivery of services to a sexually exploited child.

(2) As used in this section, "sexually exploited child" means a person less than eighteen (18) years of age who has been subject to sexual exploitation because the person:

(A) Is a victim of trafficking of persons under § 5-18-103;

(B) Is a victim of child sex trafficking under 18 U.S.C. § 1591, as it existed on January 1, 2025; or

(C) Engages in an act of prostitution under § 5-70-102 or sexual solicitation under § 5-70-103.

9-35-418. Preliminary investigation.

(a) The intake officer shall also conduct a preliminary investigation upon receiving notice that a juvenile has been taken into custody on an allegation of delinquency.

(b) In the course of a preliminary investigation, the intake officer may:

(1) Interview the complainant, victim, or witnesses of the act and circumstances alleged in the complaint;

(2) Review existing records of the court, law enforcement agencies, and public records of other agencies; and

(3) Hold conferences with the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian for the purpose of interviewing them and discussing the disposition of the complaint.

(c) Any additional inquiries may be made only with the consent of the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian.

(d)(1) Participation of the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian in a conference with an intake officer shall be voluntary, with the right to refuse to continue participation at any time.

(2) At the conferences, the juvenile and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian shall be advised of the juvenile's right to assistance of counsel and the right to remain silent when questioned by the intake officer.

9-35-419. Hearings — Generally.

(a)(1)(A) All hearings under this subchapter shall be conducted by the judge without a jury, except as provided by the Extended Juvenile Jurisdiction Act, § 9-27-501 et seq.

(B) If a juvenile is designated an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender, the juvenile shall have a right to a jury trial at the adjudication.

(2) The juvenile shall be advised of the right to a jury trial by the court following a determination that the juvenile will be tried as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender.

(3) The right to a jury trial may be waived by a juvenile only after being advised of his or her rights and after consultation with the juvenile's attorney.

(4) The waiver shall be in writing and signed by the juvenile and the juvenile's attorney.

(b) The juvenile is not required to file a written responsive pleading in order to be heard by the court under this subchapter.

(c)(1) At the time set for hearing under this subchapter, the court may:

(A) Proceed to hear the case only if the juvenile is present or excused for good cause by the court; or

(B) Continue the case upon determination that the presence of an adult defendant is necessary.

(2) Upon determining that a necessary party is not present before the court, the court may:

(A) Issue an order for contempt if the juvenile was served with an order to appear; or

(B) Issue an order to appear, with a time and place set by the court for hearing, if the juvenile was served with a notice of hearing.

(d)(1) Hearings under this subchapter shall be in a court of record.

(2) A record of all proceedings shall be kept in the same manner as other proceedings of circuit court and in accordance with rules promulgated by the Supreme Court.

(e)(1) Unless otherwise indicated, the Arkansas Rules of Evidence shall apply.

(2)(A) Upon motion of any party, the court may order that the father, mother, or juvenile submit to scientific testing for drug or alcohol abuse.

(B) A written report of the test results prepared by the person conducting the test, or by a person under whose supervision or direction the test and analysis have been performed, certified by an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by him or her before a notary public, may be introduced in evidence without calling the person as a witness unless a motion challenging the test procedures or results has been filed within thirty (30) days before the hearing and bond is posted in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of the person's appearance to testify.

(C)(i) If contested, documentation of the chain of custody of samples taken from a test subject shall be verified by affidavit of one (1) person's witnessing the procedure or extraction, packaging, and mailing of the sample and by one (1) person's signing for the sample at the place where the sample is subject to the testing procedure.

(ii) Submission of the affidavits along with the submission of the test results shall be competent evidence to establish the chain of custody of those specimens.

(D) When a court orders scientific testing for drug or alcohol

abuse and one (1) of the parties refuses to submit to the testing, that refusal shall be disclosed at trial and may be considered civil contempt of court.

(f) Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, the Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure shall apply to all proceedings under this subchapter.

(g) All parties shall have the right to compel attendance of witnesses in accordance with the Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure.

(h)(1) The petitioner in all proceedings under this subchapter shall bear the burden of presenting the case at hearings.

(2)(A) The following burdens of proof shall apply:

(i) Proof beyond a reasonable doubt in delinquency hearings;

(ii) Proof by a preponderance of the evidence in a probation revocation hearing; and

(iii) Proof by clear and convincing evidence in a transfer hearing.

(i) Except as provided under § 9-27-502, in any juvenile delinquency proceeding under this subchapter in which the juvenile's fitness to proceed is put in issue by any party or the court, § 5-2-301 et seq. shall apply.

(j) In all proceedings under this subchapter, a juvenile is entitled to all defenses available to a criminal defendant in circuit court.

(k)(1) A court shall set a hearing to address the entry of a written order under this subchapter if:

(A) The written order is not provided to the court for entry within the time specified under this subchapter; and

(B) A party files a motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order.

(2)(A) The court shall conduct a hearing to address the entry of the written order within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(B) A hearing to address the entry of a written order may be the next scheduled hearing in the proceeding if the hearing to address the entry of the written order is being held within thirty (30) days from the date on which the motion for a hearing to address the entry of the written order is filed.

(C) The court is not required to conduct a hearing to address the entry of a written order if the written order is submitted to the court.

(3) The court shall reassign the preparation of the written order as needed.

9-35-420. Detention hearing.

(a)(1) If a juvenile is taken into custody on an allegation of delinquency, violation of Division of Youth Services aftercare, violation of probation, or violation of a court order and not released by the law enforcement officer or intake officer, a detention hearing shall be held:

(A) As soon as possible but no later than seventy-two (72)

hours after the juvenile was taken into custody; or

(B) The next business day, if the seventy-two (72) hours ends on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

(2) If a detention hearing is not held within the time frame under subsection (a)(1) of this section, the juvenile shall be released.

(b) Prior written notice of the time, place, and purpose of the detention hearing under this section shall be given to:

(1) The juvenile;

(2) The juvenile's attorney; and

(3)(A) The juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian.

(B) However, if the court finds after a reasonable, diligent effort that the petitioner was unable to notify the parent, guardian, or custodian, the hearing may proceed without notice to that party.

(c) The petitioner in a detention hearing under this section shall have the burden of proof by clear and convincing evidence that the restraint on the juvenile's liberty is necessary and that no less restrictive alternative will reduce the risk of flight, or of serious harm to property, or to the physical safety of the juvenile or others.

(d) During the detention hearing under this section, the court shall:

(1) Inform the juvenile in custody:

(A) Of the reasons continued detention is being sought;

(B) That he or she is not required to say anything, and that anything he or she says may be used against him or her;

(C) That he or she has a right to counsel; and

(D) That before the hearing proceeds further he or she has the right to communicate with his or her attorney, parent, guardian, or custodian, and that reasonable means will be provided for him or her to do so;

(2) Admit testimony and evidence relevant only to determination that probable cause exists that the juvenile committed the offense as alleged and that detention of the juvenile is necessary; and

(3) Assess the following factors in determining whether to release the juvenile prior to further hearings in the case:

(A) Place and length of residence;

(B) Family relationships;

(C) References;

(D) School attendance;

(E) Past and present employment;

(F) Juvenile and criminal records;

(G) The juvenile's character and reputation;

(H) Nature of the charge being brought and any mitigating or aggravating circumstances;

(I) Whether detention is necessary to prevent imminent bodily harm to the juvenile or to another;

(J) The possibility of additional violations occurring if the

juvenile is released;

(K) Factors that indicate the juvenile is likely to appear as required; and

(L) Whether conditions should be imposed on the juvenile's release.

(e)(1) The court shall release the juvenile detained under this section when there is a finding that no probable cause exists that the juvenile committed the offense as alleged.

(2) The court, upon a finding that detention is not necessary, may release the juvenile:

(A) Upon his or her personal recognizance;

(B) Upon an order to appear;

(C) To his or her parent, guardian, or custodian upon written promise to bring the juvenile before the court when required;

(D)(i) To the care of a qualified person or qualified agency agreeing to supervise the juvenile and assist him or her in appearing in court.

(ii) As used in this subdivision (e)(2)(D), "qualified agency" does not include the Department of Human Services or any of its divisions;

(E)(i) Under the supervision of the probation officer or other appropriate public official.

(ii) As used in subdivision (e)(2)(E), "appropriate public official" does not include the department;

(F) Upon reasonable restrictions on activities, movements, associations, and residences of the juvenile;

(G) On bond to his or her parent, guardian, or custodian; or

(H) Under such other reasonable restrictions to ensure the appearance of the juvenile.

(3) If the court determines that only a money bond will ensure the appearance of the juvenile, the court may require:

(A) An unsecured bond in an amount set by the judicial officer;

(B) A bond accompanied by a deposit of cash or securities equal to ten percent (10%) of the face amount set by the court that shall be returned at the conclusion of the proceedings if the juvenile has not defaulted in the performance of the conditions of the bond; or

(C) A bond secured by deposit of the full amount in cash, or by other property, or by obligation of qualified securities.

(4) Orders of conditional release may be modified upon notice, hearing, and good cause shown.

(5)(A) If the court releases a juvenile under subdivision (e)(2)(D) of this section, the court, if necessary for the best interest of the juvenile, may request that the department immediately initiate an investigation as to whether the juvenile is in imminent danger or a situation exists whereby the juvenile is dependent-neglected.

(B) The court shall not place preadjudicated juveniles in the

custody of the department.

(f)(1) If the juvenile who is being detained under this section is also in the custody of the department pursuant to a family in need of services or dependency-neglect petition and the court does not keep the juvenile in detention, then any issues regarding placement of the juvenile shall be addressed only in the family in need of services or dependency-neglect case and shall not be an issue addressed, nor shall any orders be entered in the delinquency case regarding placement of the juvenile.

(2) Within ten (10) days of the entry of an order in the delinquency case, the prosecuting attorney shall file a copy of the order in the juvenile's dependency-neglect or family in need of services case.

9-35-421. Adjudication hearing.

(a)(1)(A) An adjudication hearing shall be held under this subchapter to determine whether the allegations against a juvenile in a petition are substantiated by the proof.

(B) On a motion of the court or any party, the court may continue the adjudication hearing up to sixty (60) days after the removal for good cause shown.

(C)(i) The court may continue an adjudication hearing beyond the sixty-day limitation provided in subdivision (a)(1)(B) of this section in extraordinary circumstances.

(ii) As used in this subdivision (a)(1)(C), “extraordinary circumstances” includes without limitation the following circumstances:

(a) The Supreme Court orders the suspension of in-person court proceedings; and

(b) One (1) of the following has occurred:

(1) The President of the United States has declared a national emergency; or

(2) The Governor has declared a state of emergency or a statewide public health emergency.

(b) If a juvenile is in detention, an adjudication hearing shall be held, unless the juvenile or a party is seeking an extended juvenile jurisdiction designation, not later than fourteen (14) days from the date of the detention hearing unless waived by the juvenile or good cause is shown for a continuance.

(c) In extended juvenile jurisdiction offender proceedings, the adjudication shall be held within the time prescribed by the speedy trial provisions of Rule 28 of the Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure.

(d) Following an adjudication in which a juvenile is found to be delinquent, dependent-neglected, or a member of a family in need of services, the court may order any studies, evaluations, or predisposition reports, if needed, that bear on disposition.

(e)(1) All such reports shall be provided in writing to all parties and counsel at least two (2) days prior to the disposition hearing.

(2) All parties shall be given a fair opportunity to controvert any parts of such reports.

9-35-422. Disposition hearing.

(a) If the circuit court finds that the petition has been substantiated by the proof at the adjudication hearing, a disposition hearing shall be held for the court to enter orders consistent with the disposition alternatives.

(b) When a juvenile is held in detention after an adjudication hearing for delinquency pending a disposition hearing, the disposition hearing shall be held no more than fourteen (14) days following the adjudication hearing.

(c) In initially considering the disposition alternatives and at any subsequent hearing, the court shall give preference to the least restrictive disposition consistent with the best interests and welfare of the juvenile and the public.

(d) At the disposition hearing under this section, the court may admit into evidence any victim impact statements and studies or reports that have been ordered, even though they are not admissible at the adjudication hearing.

9-35-423. Disposition — Alternatives.

(a) If a juvenile is found to be delinquent under this subchapter, the circuit court may enter an order making any of the following dispositions based upon the best interest of the juvenile:

(1)(A) Transfer legal custody of the juvenile to any licensed agency responsible for the care of alleged or adjudicated delinquent juveniles or to a relative or other individual; or

(B)(i) Commit the juvenile to the Division of Youth Services using the validated risk assessment system for Arkansas juvenile offenders selected by the Juvenile Judges Committee of the Arkansas Judicial Council with the division and distributed and administered by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

(ii)(a) The validated risk assessment system selected by the Juvenile Judges Committee of the Arkansas Judicial Council together with the division shall be:

(1) The only validated risk assessment used by courts for commitment;

(2) Used throughout the state; and

(3) Applied to all commitment decisions for all juvenile offenders.

(b) The validated risk assessment may be changed to another validated risk assessment system by the Juvenile Judges Committee of the Arkansas Judicial Council together with the division.

(iii)(a) In an order of commitment, the court may recommend that a juvenile be placed in a treatment program or community-based program instead of a youth services center and shall make specific findings in support of such a placement in the order.

(b) The court shall also specify in its

recommendation whether it is requesting a division aftercare plan upon the juvenile's release from the division.

(c) A court shall not commit a juvenile to the division if the juvenile is adjudicated delinquent of only a misdemeanor offense unless the:

(1) Juvenile is determined to be moderate risk or high risk by the validated risk assessment; and

(2) Court makes specific findings as to the factors considered for the disposition to be in the juvenile's best interest.

(d) A court shall not commit a juvenile to the division if the juvenile is adjudicated delinquent of only a misdemeanor offense and the juvenile is determined to be low risk by the validated risk assessment.

(iv) A circuit court committing a juvenile to the division under subdivision (a)(1)(B)(iii) of this section shall make written findings and consider the following factors in making its determination to commit the juvenile to the division:

(a) The previous history of the juvenile, including without limitation whether:

(1) The juvenile has been adjudicated delinquent and, if so, whether the alleged offense was against a person or property; and

(2) Any other previous history of antisocial behavior or patterns of physical violence exist;

(b) Whether the circuit court has previously offered less restrictive programs or services to the juvenile and whether there are less restrictive programs or services available to the court that are likely to rehabilitate the juvenile before the expiration of the court's jurisdiction;

(c) Written reports and other materials relating to the juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history; and

(d) Any other factors deemed relevant by the circuit court.

(v) Upon receipt of an order of commitment with recommendations for placement, the division shall consider the recommendations of the committing court in placing a juvenile in a youth services facility or a community-based program.

(vi) Upon receipt of an order of commitment, the division or its contracted provider or designee shall prepare a written treatment plan that includes the:

(a) Treatment plan for the juvenile, including the types of programs and services that will be provided to the juvenile;

(b) Anticipated length of the juvenile's commitment;

(c)(1) Recommendations as to the most appropriate post-commitment placement for the juvenile.

(2) If the juvenile cannot return to the custody of his or her parent, guardian, or custodian because of child maltreatment, which includes the parent's, guardian's, or custodian's refusing to take responsibility for the juvenile, the division shall immediately contact the Office of Chief Counsel of the Department of Human Services.

(3) The Office of Chief Counsel of the Department of Human Services shall petition the committing court to determine the issue of custody of the juvenile;

(d) Post-commitment community-based services that will be offered to the juvenile and to his or her family by the division or the community-based provider, if any;

(e)(1) Aftercare plan, if recommended, including an outline specific terms and conditions required of the juvenile and the community-based provider.

(2) If the juvenile progresses in treatment and an aftercare plan is no longer recommended or the terms of the aftercare plan need to be amended as a result of treatment changes, any change in the terms of the aftercare plan and conditions shall be provided in writing and shall be explained to the juvenile.

(3) The terms and conditions shall be provided also to the prosecuting attorney, the juvenile's attorney, and to the juvenile's legal parent, guardian, or custodian by the division or its designee before the juvenile's release from the division.

(4) All aftercare terms shall be provided to the committing court; and

(f)(1) The treatment plan shall be filed with the committing court no later than thirty (30) days from the date of the commitment order or before the juvenile's release, whichever is sooner.

(2) A copy of the written treatment plan shall be provided and shall be explained to the juvenile.

(3) A copy shall be provided to the prosecutor, the juvenile's attorney, and to the juvenile's legal parent, guardian, or custodian and shall be filed in the court files of any circuit court where a dependency-neglect or family in need of services case concerning that juvenile is pending.

(C) This transfer of custody shall not include placement of adjudicated delinquents into the custody of the Department of Human Services for the purpose of foster care except as under the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq.;

(2) Order the juvenile or members of the juvenile's family to submit to physical, psychiatric, or psychological evaluations;

(3) Grant permanent custody to an individual upon proof that the parent or guardian from whom the juvenile has been removed has not complied with the orders of the court and that no further services or periodic reviews are required;

(4)(A) Place the juvenile on probation under those conditions and limitations that the court may prescribe pursuant to § 9-35-426.

(B)(i) In addition, the court may as a term of probation require the juvenile to attend school or make satisfactory progress toward attaining a high school equivalency diploma approved by the Adult Education Section.

(ii) The court may revoke probation if the juvenile fails to regularly attend school or if satisfactory progress toward attaining a high school equivalency diploma approved by the Adult Education Section is not being made;

(5) Order a probation fee, not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00) per month, to be deposited, accounted for, and used the same as court costs, fines, and fees under § 16-13-326(a);

(6) Assess a court cost of no more than thirty-five dollars ($35.00) to be paid by the juvenile, his or her parent, both parents, or his or her guardian;

(7)(A) Order restitution to be paid by the juvenile, a parent, both parents, the guardian, or his or her custodian.

(B) If the custodian is the State of Arkansas, both liability and the amount that may be assessed shall be determined by the Arkansas State Claims Commission;

(8) Order a fine of not more than five hundred dollars ($500) to be paid by the juvenile, a parent, both parents, or the guardian;

(9) Order that the juvenile and his or her parent, both parents, or the guardian perform court-approved volunteer service in the community designed to contribute to the rehabilitation of the juvenile or to the ability of the parent or guardian to provide proper parental care and supervision of the juvenile, not to exceed one hundred sixty (160) hours;

(10)(A) Order that the parent, both parents, or the guardian of the juvenile attend a court-approved parental responsibility training program if available.

(B) The court may make reasonable orders requiring proof of completion of the training program within a certain time period and payment of a fee covering the cost of the training program.

(C) The court may provide that any violation of such orders shall subject the parent, both parents, or the guardian to the contempt sanctions of the court;

(11)(A)(i) Order that the juvenile remain in a juvenile detention facility for an indeterminate period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

(ii) The court may further order that the juvenile be eligible for work release or to attend school or other educational or vocational training.

(B) The juvenile detention facility shall afford opportunities for education, recreation, and other rehabilitative services to adjudicated delinquents;

(12) Place the juvenile on residential detention with electronic monitoring, either in the juvenile's home or in another facility as ordered by the court;

(13)(A) Order the parent, both parents, or the guardian of any juvenile adjudicated delinquent and committed to a youth services center, detained in a

juvenile detention facility, or placed on electronic monitoring to be liable for the cost of the commitment, detention, or electronic monitoring.

(B)(i) The court shall take into account the financial ability of the parent, both parents, or the guardian to pay for the commitment, detention, or electronic monitoring.

(ii) The court shall take into account the past efforts of the parent, both parents, or the guardian to correct the delinquent juvenile's conduct.

(iii) If the parent is a noncustodial parent, the court shall take into account the opportunity the parent has had to correct the delinquent juvenile's conduct.

(iv) The court shall take into account any other factors the court deems relevant;

(14) When a juvenile is committed to a youth services center or detained in a juvenile detention facility and the juvenile is covered by private health insurance, order the parent or guardian to provide information on the juvenile's health insurance coverage, including a copy of the health insurance policy and the pharmacy card when available, to the juvenile detention center or youth services center that has physical custody of the juvenile; or

(15)(A) Order the Department of Finance and Administration to suspend the driving privileges of any juvenile adjudicated delinquent.

(B) The order under subdivision (a)(15)(A) of shall be prepared and transmitted to the Department of Finance and Administration within twenty-four (24) hours after the juvenile has been found delinquent and is sentenced to have his or her driving privileges suspended.

(C) The court may provide in the order for the issuance of a restricted driving permit to allow driving to and from a place of employment or driving to and from school or for other circumstances.

(b) The court shall specifically retain jurisdiction to amend or modify any orders entered under this section.

(c)(1) If a juvenile is adjudicated delinquent for possession of a handgun, as provided in § 5-73-119, or criminal use of prohibited weapons, as provided in § 5-73-104, or possession of a defaced firearm, as provided in § 5-73-107, then the court shall commit the juvenile:

(A) To a juvenile detention facility, as provided in subdivision (a)(11) of this section;

(B) To a youth services center operated by the Department of Human Services State Institutional System Board, as provided in subdivision (a)(1) of this section; or

(C) Place the juvenile on residential detention, as provided in subdivision (a)(12) of this section.

(2) The court may take into consideration any preadjudication detention period served by the juvenile and sentence the juvenile to time served.

(d)(1) When the court orders restitution pursuant to subdivision (a)(7) of this section, the court shall consider the following:

(A) The amount of restitution may be decided:

(i) If the juvenile is to be responsible for the restitution, by agreement between the juvenile and the victim;

(ii) If the parent or parents are to be responsible for the restitution, by agreement between the parent or parents and the victim;

(iii) If the juvenile and the parent or parents are to be responsible for the restitution, by agreement between the juvenile, his or her parent or parents, and the victim; or

(iv) At a hearing at which the state must prove the restitution amount by a preponderance of the evidence;

(B) Restitution shall be made immediately unless the court determines that the parties should be given a specified time to pay or should be allowed to pay in specified installments; and

(C)(i) In determining if restitution should be paid and by whom, as well as the method and amount of payment, the court shall take into account:

(a) The financial resources of the juvenile, his or her parent, both parents, or the guardian and the burden the payment will impose with regard to the other obligations of the paying party;

(b) The ability to pay restitution on an installment basis or on other conditions to be fixed by the court;

(c) The rehabilitative effect of the payment of restitution and the method of payment; and

(d) The past efforts of the parent, both parents, or the guardian to correct the delinquent juvenile's conduct.

(ii)(a) The court shall take into account whether the parent is a noncustodial parent.

(b) The court may take into consideration the opportunity the parent has had to correct the delinquent juvenile's conduct.

(iii) The court shall take into account any other factors the court deems relevant.

(2) If the juvenile is placed on probation, any restitution ordered under this section may be a condition of the probation.

(e) When an order of restitution is entered under this section, it may be collected by any means authorized for the enforcement of money judgments in civil actions, and it shall constitute a lien on the real and personal property of the persons and entities the order of restitution is directed upon in the same manner and to the same extent as a money judgment in a civil action.

(f)(1) The judgment entered by the court under this section may be in favor of the state, the victim, or any other appropriate beneficiary.

(2) The judgment may be discharged by a settlement between the parties ordered to pay restitution and the beneficiaries of the judgment.

(g) The court shall determine priority among multiple beneficiaries in an order of restitution under this section on the basis of the seriousness of the harm each suffered, their other resources, and other equitable factors.

(h) If more than one (1) juvenile is adjudicated delinquent of an offense for which there is a judgment under this section, the juveniles are jointly and severally liable for the judgment, unless the court determines otherwise.

(i)(1) A judgment under this section does not bar a remedy available in a civil action under other law.

(2) A payment under this section shall be credited against a money judgment obtained by the beneficiary of the payment in a civil action.

(3) A determination under this section and the fact that payment was or was not ordered or made are not admissible in evidence in a civil action and do not affect the merits of the civil action.

(j) If a juvenile is adjudicated delinquent as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender, the court shall enter the following dispositions:

(1) Order any of the juvenile delinquency dispositions authorized by this section; and

(2) Suspend the imposition of an adult sentence pending court review.

9-35-424. Disposition — Limitations.

(a)(1) A commitment to the Division of Youth Services is for an indeterminate period not to exceed the juvenile's twenty-first birthday, except as otherwise provided by law.

(2) An order of commitment shall remain in effect for an indeterminate period not exceeding two (2) years from the date entered.

(3) Before the expiration of an order of commitment, the circuit court may extend the order for additional periods of one (1) year if it finds that the extension is necessary to safeguard the welfare of the juvenile or the interest of the public.

(4) The committing court may at any time recommend that a juvenile be released from the custody of the division by making a written request for release stating the reasons release is in the best interest of the juvenile and society.

(5) The length of stay and the final decision to release shall be the exclusive responsibility of the division, except when the juvenile is an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender.

(b)(1)(A) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender.

(B) The circuit court shall have sole release authority when an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender is committed to the division.

(2)(A) Upon a determination that the juvenile has been rehabilitated, the division may petition the court for release.

(B) The court shall conduct a hearing and shall consider the following factors in making its determination to release the juvenile from the division:

(i) The experience and character of the juvenile before and after the juvenile's disposition, including compliance with the court's orders;

(ii) The nature of the offense or offenses and the manner in which they were committed;

(iii) The recommendations of the professionals who have worked with the juvenile;

(iv) The protection of public safety; and

(v) Opportunities provided to the juvenile for rehabilitation and the juvenile's efforts toward rehabilitation.

(3) The court shall release the juvenile upon a finding by a preponderance of the evidence that the juvenile's release does not pose a substantial threat to public safety.

(c)(1) Unless otherwise stated, and excluding extended juvenile jurisdiction offenders, an order of probation shall remain in effect for an indeterminate period not exceeding two (2) years.

(2) A juvenile shall be released from probation upon:

(A) Expiration of the order; or

(B) A finding by the court that the purpose of the order has been achieved.

(3) Before the expiration of an order of probation, the court may extend the order for an additional period of one (1) year if it that finds the extension is necessary to safeguard the welfare of the juvenile or the interest of the public.

(d)(1)(A) The court may enter an order for physical, psychiatric, or psychological evaluation or counseling or treatment affecting the family of a juvenile only after finding that the evaluation, counseling, or treatment of family members is necessary for the treatment or rehabilitation of the juvenile.

(B) Subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this section does not apply to the parental responsibility training programs under § 9-35-423(a)(10).

(2) For purposes of this section, if the Department of Human Services will be the payor, excluding the community-based providers, the court shall not specify a particular provider for family services.

(e)(1) An order of restitution, not to exceed ten thousand dollars ($10,000) per victim, to be paid by the juvenile, his or her parent, both parents, the guardian, or the custodian may be entered only after proof by a preponderance of the evidence that specific damages were caused by the juvenile and that the juvenile's actions were the proximate cause of the damage.

(2)(A) If the amount of restitution determined by the court exceeds ten thousand dollars ($10,000) for any individual victim, the court shall enter a restitution order for ten thousand dollars ($10,000) in favor of the victim.

(B) Nothing in this section shall prevent a person or entity from seeking recovery for damages in excess of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) available under other law.

(f) Custody of a juvenile may be transferred to a relative or other individual only after a home study of the placement is conducted by the department or a licensed certified social worker and submitted to the court in writing and the court determines that the placement is in the best interest of the juvenile.

(g)(1) If the juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent is also in the custody of the department pursuant to a family in need of services or dependency-

neglect petition and the court does not commit the juvenile to the division or order the juvenile to detention, the Civilian Student Training Program, or a facility exclusively for delinquents, then any issues regarding placement of the juvenile shall be addressed only in the family in need of services or dependency-neglect case and shall not be an issue addressed, nor shall any orders be entered in the delinquency case regarding placement of the juvenile.

(2) Within ten (10) days of the entry of any order in the delinquency case, the prosecuting attorney shall file a copy of the order in the juvenile's dependency-neglect case.

(h) Custody of a juvenile shall not be transferred to the department if a delinquency petition or case is converted to a family in need of services petition or case.

(i) No court may commit to the division a juvenile found solely in criminal contempt.

9-35-425. Limitations on detention.

(a) A juvenile who is alleged to be or who has been adjudicated either dependent-neglected or a member of a family in need of services shall not be placed or detained in a secure detention facility, in a facility utilized for the detention of alleged or adjudicated delinquent juveniles, or in a facility utilized for the detention of adults held for, charged with, or convicted of a crime, except that:

(1)(A) A juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility when he or she has been away from home for more than twenty-four (24) hours and when the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives beyond a fifty-mile driving distance or out of state.

(B)(i) The juvenile may be held in custody in a juvenile detention facility for purposes of identification, processing, or arranging for release or transfer to an alternative facility.

(ii) The holding under subdivision (a)(1)(B)(i) of this section shall be limited to the minimum time necessary to complete the actions under subdivision (a)(1)(B)(i) of this section and shall not occur in any facility utilized for incarceration of adults.

(C)(i) A juvenile held under this subdivision (a)(1) shall be separated from detained juveniles charged or held for delinquency.

(ii) A juvenile shall not be held under this subdivision (a)(1) for more than six (6) hours if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives in the state or for twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays, if the parent, guardian, or other person contacted lives out of state; and

(2)(A) An adjudicated-family-in-need-of-services juvenile may be held in a juvenile detention facility when the court finds that the juvenile violated a valid court order.

(B)(i) For the purposes of this subdivision (a)(2), a valid court order shall include any order of a circuit court regarding a juvenile who has been brought before the court and made subject to a court order.

(ii) The juvenile who is the subject of the court order under subdivision (a)(2)(B)(i) of this section shall receive full due process rights.

(C)(i) A juvenile held under this subdivision (a)(2) shall be separated from detained juveniles charged or held for delinquency.

(ii) The holding shall not occur in any facility utilized for incarceration of adults.

(b) A juvenile shall not be placed or confined in a jail or lock-up used for the detention of adults except under the following circumstances:

(1) A juvenile who has been formally transferred from the juvenile division of circuit court to the criminal division of circuit court and against whom felony charges have been filed or a juvenile whom the prosecuting attorney has the discretion to charge in circuit court and to prosecute as an adult and against whom the circuit court's jurisdiction has been invoked by the filing of felony charges may be held in an adult jail or lock-up;

(2)(A) A juvenile alleged to have committed a delinquent act may be held in an adult jail or lock-up for up to six (6) hours for purposes of identification, processing, or arranging for release or transfer to an alternative facility, provided that he or she is separated by sight and sound from adults who are pretrial detainees or convicted persons.

(B) A holding under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section shall be limited to the minimum time necessary and shall not include travel time for transporting the juvenile to the alternative facility; or

(3)(A) A juvenile alleged to have committed a delinquent act who is awaiting an initial appearance before a judge may be held in an adult jail or lock-up for up to twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays, provided the following conditions exist:

(i) The alleged act would be a misdemeanor or a felony if committed by an adult or is a violation of § 5-73-119;

(ii) The geographical area having jurisdiction over the juvenile is outside a metropolitan statistical area under the current designation of the United States Bureau of the Census;

(iii) No acceptable alternative placement for the juvenile exists; and

(iv) The juvenile is separated by sight and sound from adults who are pretrial detainees or convicted persons.

(B)(i) A juvenile awaiting an initial appearance and being held in an adult jail or lock-up pursuant to the twenty-four-hour exception under subdivision (b)(3)(A) of this section may be held for an additional period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours, provided that the following conditions exist:

(a) The conditions of distance to be traveled or the lack of highway, road, or other ground transportation does not allow for court appearances within twenty-four (24) hours; and

(b) All the conditions in subdivision (b)(3)(A) of this section exist.

(ii) Criteria will be adopted by the Governor or his or her designee to establish what distance, highway or road conditions, or ground transportation limitations will provide a basis for holding a juvenile in an adult jail or lock-up under this exception.

(c) Provided that the facilities are designed and used in accordance with federal and state guidelines and restrictions, nothing in this subchapter is intended to prohibit the use of juvenile detention facilities that are attached to or adjacent to adult jails or lock-ups.

(d) A detention facility shall not release a serious offender for a less serious offender except by order of the judge who committed the more serious offender.

9-35-426. Probation reports.

(a) The probation officer shall make and keep a complete history of each case before disposition and during the course of any probation imposed by the circuit court.

(b)(1) It is the intention of this section to require an intelligent and thorough report of each juvenile before probation and during probation as to heredity, environment, condition, treatment, development, and results.

(2) The report shall contain among other information the age, sex, nativity, residence, education, mentality, habits, whether married or single, and employment and income and shall be continued so as to show the condition of the person during the term of his or her probation and the results of probation in the case.

(3) The report shall never be disclosed except as required by law or directed by the court.

(c) The probation officer shall furnish to each person released on probation a written statement of the terms and conditions of probation and shall report to the court any violation or breach of the terms and conditions so imposed.

9-35-427. Proceedings concerning juveniles for whom paternity not established.

(a) Absent orders of a circuit court or another court of competent jurisdiction to the contrary, the biological mother, whether adult or minor, of a juvenile for whom paternity has not been established is deemed to be the natural guardian of that juvenile and is entitled to the care, custody, and control of that juvenile.

(b) The biological mother, the putative father, the juvenile himself or herself, or the Office of Child Support Enforcement may bring an action to establish paternity or support of a juvenile for whom paternity has not been established.

(c)(1) If the juvenile is not born when the parties appear before the court, the court may hear evidence and issue temporary orders and findings pending the birth of the juvenile.

(2) If the final order is contrary to the temporary order, the court shall render judgment for the amount paid under the temporary order against the petitioner if the petitioner was the biological mother.

(3) If the mother dies before the final order is issued, the action may be revived in the name of the juvenile, and the mother's testimony at the temporary hearing may be introduced in the final hearing.

(d)(1) Upon an adjudication by the court that the putative father is the father of the juvenile, the court shall follow the same guidelines, procedures, and requirements as established by the laws of this state applicable to child support orders and judgments entered upon divorce.

(2) The court may award court costs and attorney's fees.

(e)(1) If paternity has been established in a court of competent jurisdiction, a father may petition the court in the county where the juvenile resides for custody of the juvenile.

(2) The court may award custody to a father who has had paternity established if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that:

(A) He is a fit parent to raise the juvenile;

(B) He has assumed his responsibilities toward the juvenile by providing care, supervision, protection, and financial support for the juvenile; and

(C) It is in the best interest of the juvenile to award custody to the father.

(f) At the request of either party in a paternity action, the trial court shall direct that the putative father, biological mother, and juvenile submit to one (1) or more blood tests or other scientific examinations or tests, including deoxyribonucleic acid typing, to:

(1) Determine whether or not the putative father can be excluded as being the father of the juvenile; and

(2) Establish the probability of paternity if the test does not exclude the putative father.

(g) The tests under subsection (f) of this section shall be made by a duly qualified physician or physicians, or by another duly qualified person or persons, not to exceed three (3), to be appointed by the court.

(h)(1) The results of the tests under subsection (f) of this section shall be receivable in evidence.

(2)(A)(i) A written report of the test results by the duly qualified expert performing the test, or by a duly qualified expert under whose supervision and direction the test and analysis have been performed, certified by an affidavit duly subscribed and sworn to by the expert before a notary public, may be introduced in evidence in illegitimacy actions without calling the expert as a witness.

(ii) If either party shall desire to question the expert, the party shall have the expert subpoenaed within a reasonable time before trial.

(B) If the results of the paternity tests establish a ninety-five percent (95%) or more probability of inclusion that the putative father is the biological father of the juvenile and after corroborating testimony of the mother in regard to access during the probable period of conception, this shall constitute a prima facie case of establishment of paternity and the burden of proof shall shift to the putative father to rebut the proof.

(3) The experts shall be subject to cross-examination by both parties after the court has caused them to disclose their findings.

(i) When the court orders the blood tests to be taken and one (1) of the parties refuses to submit to the test, that fact shall be disclosed upon the trial unless good cause is shown to the contrary.

(j) The costs of the tests and witness fees under this section shall be taxed by the court as other costs in the case.

(k) When it is relevant to the prosecution or the defense in a paternity action, blood tests that exclude third parties as the father of the juvenile shall be the same as set out in subsections (f) and (g) of this section.

(l) The refusal of a party to submit to a genetic or other ordered test is admissible at a hearing to determine paternity only as to the credibility of the party.

(m) If a male witness offers testimony indicating that his act of intercourse with the mother may have resulted in the conception of the juvenile, the court may require the witness to submit to genetic or other tests to determine whether he is the juvenile's father.

9-35-428. Appeals.

(a) All appeals from juvenile cases shall be made to the Supreme Court or to the Court of Appeals in the time and manner provided for appeals in the Arkansas Rules of Appellate Procedure.

(b) The petitioner may appeal only under those circumstances that would permit the state to appeal in criminal proceedings.

9-35-429. Admissibility of evidence.

(a) Juvenile adjudications of delinquency for offenses for which the juvenile could have been tried as an adult may be used at the sentencing phase in subsequent adult criminal proceedings against those same individuals.

(b)(1) No other evidence adduced against a juvenile in any proceeding under this subchapter nor the fact of adjudication or disposition shall be admissible evidence against the juvenile in any civil, criminal, or other proceeding.

(2) However, the evidence shall be admissible when proper in subsequent proceedings against the same juvenile under this subchapter.

9-35-430. Probation — Revocation.

(a)(1) After an adjudication of delinquency, the court may place a juvenile on probation. The conditions of probation shall be given to the juvenile in writing and shall be explained to him or her and to his or her parent, guardian, or custodian by the probation officer in the initial conference following the disposition hearing.

(2) The court shall notify the Division of Youth Services in its commitment order of the order of probation including the juvenile's compliance with the division's aftercare plan, if provided in the treatment plan.

(b) Any violation of a condition of probation may be reported to the prosecuting attorney, who may initiate a petition in the court for revocation of

probation. A petition for revocation of probation shall contain specific factual allegations constituting each violation of a condition of probation.

(c) The petition alleging violation of a condition of probation and seeking revocation of probation shall be served upon the juvenile, his or her attorney, and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian.

(d) A revocation hearing shall be set within a reasonable time after the filing of the petition, or within fourteen (14) days if the juvenile has been detained as a result of the filing of the petition for revocation.

(e) If the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the juvenile violated the terms and conditions of probation, the court may:

(1) Extend probation;

(2) Impose additional conditions of probation; or

(3) Make any disposition that could have been made at the time probation was imposed under § 9-35-423.

(f)(1) Nonpayment of restitution, fines, or court costs may constitute a violation of probation, unless the juvenile shows that his or her default was not attributable to a purposeful refusal to obey the sentence of the court or was not due to a failure on his or her part to make a good faith effort to obtain the funds required for payment.

(2) In determining whether to revoke probation, the court shall consider the juvenile's employment status, earning ability, financial resources, the willfulness of the juvenile's failure to pay, and any other special circumstances that may have a bearing on the juvenile's ability to pay.

(3) If the court determines that the default in payment of a fine, costs, or restitution is excusable under subdivision (f)(1) of this section, the court may enter an order allowing the juvenile additional time for payment, reducing the amount of each installment, or revoking the fine, costs, or restitution or unpaid portion thereof in whole or in part.

9-35-431. Compliance with federal acts.

The Division of Youth Services shall have the responsibility for the collection, review, and reporting of statistical information on detained or incarcerated juveniles, for adult jails, adult lock-ups, and juvenile detention facilities to assure compliance with the provisions of Pub. L. No. 93-415, the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as it existed on January 1, 2025.

9-35-432. Escape considered an act of delinquency.

The escape of a juvenile from the locked portion of a juvenile facility is an act of delinquency.

9-35-433. Duties and responsibilities of custodian.

(a) A person or agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile in a proceeding under this subchapter shall:

(1) Care for and maintain the juvenile; and

(2) See that the juvenile:

(A) Is protected;

(B) Is properly trained and educated; and

(C) Has the opportunity to learn a trade, occupation, or profession.

(b) The person or agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile in a proceeding under this subchapter has the right to obtain medical care for the juvenile, including giving consent to specific medical, dental, or mental health treatments and procedures as required in the opinion of a duly authorized or licensed physician, dentist, surgeon, or psychologist, whether or not such care is rendered on an emergency, inpatient, or outpatient basis.

(c) The custodian has the right to enroll the juvenile in school upon the presentation of an order of custody.

(d) The custodian has the right to obtain medical and school records of any juvenile in his or her custody upon presentation of an order of custody.

(e) Any agency appointed as the custodian of a juvenile has the right to consent to the juvenile's travel on vacation or similar trips.

(f)(1) Every person granted custody, guardianship, or adoption of a juvenile in a proceeding under or arising out of a dependency-neglect action under this subchapter shall ensure that the juvenile is not returned to the care or supervision of any person from whom the child was removed or any person the court has specifically ordered not to have care, supervision, or custody of the juvenile.

(2) This section shall not be construed to prohibit these placements if the person who has been granted custody, guardianship, or adoption obtains a court order to that effect from the juvenile division of circuit court that made the award of custody, guardianship, or adoption.

(3) Failure to abide by subdivision (f)(1) of this section is punishable as a criminal offense under § 5-26-502(a)(3).

(g)(1) The court shall not split custody.

(2) As used in this section, "split custody" means granting legal custody to one (1) person or agency and granting physical custody to another person or agency.

9-35-434. Juvenile sex offender assessment and registration.

(a) If a juvenile is adjudicated delinquent for any of the following offenses, the court shall order a sex offender screening and risk assessment:

(1) Rape, § 5-14-103;

(2) Sexual assault in the first degree, § 5-14-124;

(3) Sexual assault in the second degree, § 5-14-125;

(4) Incest, § 5-26-202; or

(5) Engaging children in sexually explicit conduct for use in visual or print medium, § 5-27-303.

(b)(1) The court may order a sex offender screening and risk assessment if a juvenile is adjudicated delinquent for any offense with an underlying sexually

motivated component.

(2) The court may require that a juvenile register as a sex offender upon recommendation of the Sex Offender Assessment Committee and following a hearing as set forth in subsection (e) of this section.

(c) The juvenile division of circuit court judge may order reassessment of the sex offender screening and risk assessment by the committee at any time while the court has jurisdiction over the juvenile.

(d) Following a sex offender screening and risk assessment, the prosecutor may file a motion to request that a juvenile register as a sex offender at any time while the court has jurisdiction of the delinquency case if a juvenile is found delinquent for any of the offenses listed in subsection (a) of this section.

(e)(1) The court shall conduct a hearing within ninety (90) days of the registration motion under this section.

(2)(A) The juvenile defendant shall be represented by counsel, and the court shall consider the following factors in making its decision to require the juvenile to register as a delinquent sex offender:

(i) The seriousness of the offense;

(ii) The protection of society;

(iii) The level of planning and participation in the alleged offense;

(iv) The previous sex offender history of the juvenile, including whether the juvenile has been adjudicated delinquent for prior sex offenses;

(v) Whether there are facilities or programs available to the court that are likely to rehabilitate the juvenile before the expiration of the court's jurisdiction;

(vi) The sex offender assessment and any other relevant written reports and other materials relating to the juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history; and

(vii) Any other factors deemed relevant by the court.

(B) The exercise by the juvenile of the right against self-incrimination, the right to an adjudication hearing or appeal, the refusal to admit to an offense for which he or she was adjudicated delinquent, or the refusal to admit to other offenses in the assessment process shall not be considered in the decision whether to require registration.

(f)(1) The court shall make written findings on all the factors under subsection (e) of this section.

(2) Upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence that a juvenile should or should not be required to register as a sex offender, the court shall enter its order.

(g) When the judge of the juvenile division of circuit court orders a juvenile to register as a sex offender, the judge shall order either the Division of Youth Services or a juvenile probation officer to complete the registration process by:

(1) Completing the sex offender registration form;

(2) Providing a copy of the sex offender registration order, fact sheet, registration form, and the Juvenile Sex Offender Rights and Responsibilities Form to the juvenile and the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian and explaining this information to the juvenile and the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian;

(3) Mailing a copy of the registration court order, fact sheets, and registration form to the Arkansas Crime Information Center, Sex Offender Registry Manager, 322 Main St #615, Little Rock, AR 72201;

(4) Providing local law enforcement agencies where the juvenile resides a copy of the sex offender registration form; and

(5) Ensuring that copies of all documents are forwarded to the court for placement in the court file.

(h) The juvenile may petition the court to have his or her name removed from the Arkansas Sex Offender Registry at any time while the court has jurisdiction over the juvenile or when the juvenile turns twenty-one (21) years of age, whichever is later.

(i) The judge of the juvenile division of circuit court shall order the juvenile's name removed from the registry upon proof by a preponderance of the evidence that the juvenile does not pose a threat to the safety of others.

(j) If the court does not order the juvenile's name removed from the registery, the juvenile shall remain on the registery for ten (10) years from the last date on which the juvenile was adjudicated a delinquent or found guilty as an adult for a sex offense or until the juvenile turns twenty-one (21) years of age, whichever is longer.

(k) Once a juvenile is ordered to register as a sex offender, he or she shall be subject to the registration requirements set forth in §§ 12-12-904, 12-12-906, 12-12-908, 12-12-909, and 12-12-912.

9-35-435. Deoxyribonucleic acid samples.

(a) A person who is adjudicated delinquent for the following offenses shall have a deoxyribonucleic acid sample drawn:

(1) Rape, § 5-14-103;

(2) Sexual assault in the first degree, § 5-14-124;

(3) Sexual assault in the second degree, § 5-14-125;

(4) Incest, § 5-26-202;

(5) Capital murder, § 5-10-101;

(6) Murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102;

(7) Murder in the second degree, § 5-10-103;

(8) Kidnapping, § 5-11-102;

(9) Aggravated robbery, § 5-12-103;

(10) Terroristic act, § 5-13-310; and

(11) Aggravated assault upon a law enforcement officer or an employee of a correctional facility, § 5-13-211, if a Class Y felony.

(b) The court shall order a fine of two hundred fifty dollars ($250) under this section unless the court finds that the fine would cause an undue hardship.

(c)(1) Only a juvenile adjudicated delinquent for one (1) of the offenses listed

in subsection (a) of this section shall have a deoxyribonucleic acid sample drawn upon intake at a juvenile detention facility or intake at a Division of Youth Services facility.

(2) If the juvenile is not placed in a facility, the juvenile probation officer to whom the juvenile is assigned shall ensure that the deoxyribonucleic acid sample is drawn.

(d) All deoxyribonucleic acid samples taken under this section shall be taken in accordance with rules promulgated by the State Crime Laboratory.

9-35-436. Division of Youth Services aftercare.

(a)(1) After an adjudication of delinquency and upon commitment to the Division of Youth Services, the court may order compliance with a division aftercare plan upon a juvenile's release from the division, if recommended as part of the treatment plan submitted to the court.

(2) The division or its designee shall provide the:

(A) Terms and conditions of the aftercare plan in writing to the juvenile before the juvenile's release from the division; and

(B) The aftercare terms and conditions to the juvenile's attorney and the juvenile's legal parent, guardian, or custodian by the division or its designee, the prosecutor, and the committing court before the juvenile's release from the division.

(3) The division or its designee shall explain the terms of the aftercare plan to the juvenile and his or her legal parent, guardian, or custodian before the juvenile's release from the division.

(b)(1) Any violation of an aftercare term may be reported to the prosecuting attorney, who may initiate a petition in the committing court for violation of the aftercare plan.

(2) The Department of Human Services may also initiate a petition for a violation with the committing court.

(c) The petition shall contain specific factual allegations constituting each violation of the aftercare plan and shall be served upon the juvenile, his or her attorney, his or her parent, guardian, or custodian, and the prosecuting attorney if filed by the department.

(d) A hearing shall be set within a reasonable time after the filing of the petition or within fourteen (14) days if the juvenile has been detained as a result of the filing of the petition for the aftercare violation.

(e) If the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the juvenile violated the terms of the aftercare plan, the court may:

(1) Extend the terms of the aftercare plan, if requested by the division;

(2) Impose additional conditions to the aftercare plan, if requested by the division; or

(3) Make any disposition that could have been made at the time commitment was ordered under § 9-35-423.

9-35-437. Confessions.

In determining whether a juvenile's confession to an alleged delinquent act was voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently made, the court shall consider all circumstances surrounding the confession, including without limitation:

(1) The juvenile's physical, mental, and emotional maturity;

(2) Whether the juvenile understood the consequences of the confession;

(3) In cases in which the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian agreed to the interrogation that led to the confession, whether the custodial parent, guardian, or custodian understood the consequences of the confession or has an interest in the matter that is adverse to the juvenile;

(4) Whether the juvenile and his or her custodial parent, guardian, or custodian were informed of the alleged delinquent act;

(5) Whether the confession was the result of any coercion, force, or inducement;

(6) Whether the juvenile and his or her custodial parent, guardian, or custodian had waived the right to counsel or been provided counsel; and

(7) Whether any of the following occurred:

(A) The oral, written, or sign language confession was electronically recorded in its entirety;

(B) The entire interrogation was electronically recorded;

(C) The audio or video recordings of the interrogation, if available, were used; and

(D) All of the voices on the recording are identified and the names of all persons present during the interrogation are identified.

9-35-438. Court costs, fees, and fines.

(a) The juvenile division of the circuit court may order the following court costs, fees, and fines to be paid by adjudicated defendants to the circuit court juvenile division fund as provided under § 16-13-326:

(1) The court may assess an adjudicated delinquent juvenile court costs not to exceed thirty-five dollars ($35.00) as provided under § 9-35-423;

(2) The court may order a probation fee for adjudicated delinquent juveniles not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00) per month as provided under § 9-35-423;

(3) The court may order a juvenile service fee for an adjudicated family in need of services not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00) per month as provided under § 9-35-212;

(4) The court may order a fine for adjudicated delinquent juveniles of not more than five hundred dollars ($500) as provided under § 9-35-423; and

(5) A juvenile intake or probation officer may charge a diversion fee limited to no more than twenty dollars ($20.00) per month as provided under § 9-35-417.

(b) The court shall direct that the juvenile division of circuit court costs and

fees be collected, maintained, and accounted for in the same manner as juvenile probation and juvenile services fees as provided for in § 16-13-326.

9-35-439. Risk and needs assessments.

(a) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall work with the circuit courts to implement a validated risk and needs assessment that shall be provided to the juvenile divisions of the circuit courts to be used at delinquency disposition hearings and to aid in juvenile treatment plans.

(b) A judge of a juvenile division circuit court shall have the discretion to designate either a trained juvenile intake or probation officer to conduct the validated risk and needs assessment in the court of the circuit court judge.

(c)(1) The juvenile intake officer or probation officer conducting the risk and needs assessment shall interview the juvenile and the juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian.

(2) Information gathered by the juvenile intake officer or probation officer during the intake process implemented to complete the risk and needs assessment shall be confidential and shall not be used against the juvenile in the delinquency proceeding.

(3) The juvenile intake officer or probation officer conducting the risk and needs assessment shall not discuss any offense for which the juvenile is currently charged during the intake assessment.

(d) A risk and needs assessment prepared for a delinquency disposition hearing shall be provided to the necessary parties seven (7) days in advance and presented to the court at the disposition hearing.

(e)(1) The court may order an updated risk and needs assessment that should be updated when there are significant changes in the juvenile's treatment plan.

(2) Any revisions or updates to the risk and needs assessment shall be provided to the necessary parties seven (7) days in advance of a court hearing in the delinquency proceeding.

(f) Juvenile risk and needs assessments may be provided to the Division of Youth Services personnel, service providers, and other necessary persons designated by the court to provide appropriate treatment plan and case plan services.

9-35-440. Punitive isolation or solitary confinement of juveniles — Definitions.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) “Punitive isolation” means the placement of a juvenile in a location that is separate from the general population as a punishment; and

(2) “Solitary confinement” means the isolation of a juvenile in a cell separate from the general population as a punishment.

(b) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, a juvenile who has been placed or detained in a juvenile detention facility shall not be placed in punitive isolation or solitary confinement as a disciplinary measure for more than twenty-four (24) hours

unless the:

(1) Placement of the juvenile in punitive isolation or solitary confinement is due to:

(A) A physical or sexual assault committed by the juvenile while in the juvenile detention facility;

(B) Conduct of the juvenile that poses an imminent threat of harm to the safety or well-being of the juvenile, the staff, or other juveniles in the juvenile detention facility; or

(C) The juvenile's escaping or attempting to escape from the juvenile detention facility; and

(2)(A) Director of the juvenile detention facility provides written authorization to place the juvenile in punitive isolation or solitary confinement for more than twenty-four (24) hours.

(B) The director of the juvenile detention facility shall provide the written authorization described in subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section for every twenty-four-hour period during which the juvenile remains in punitive isolation or solitary confinement after the initial twenty-four (24) hours.

(c)(1) A juvenile who has been placed or detained in a juvenile detention facility shall not be placed in solitary confinement if the juvenile:

(A) Is pregnant;

(B) Has delivered a child before or within thirty (30) days of being detained;

(C) Is breastfeeding;

(D) Is suffering from postpartum depression or another medically verifiable postpartum condition; or

(E) Is caring for a child in a juvenile detention facility.

(2) This subsection does not apply if:

(A) The juvenile has engaged in an act of violence while incarcerated or detained that either resulted in or was likely to result in serious physical injury or death to another person; or

(B) There is reasonable cause to believe that the use of solitary confinement is necessary to reduce a substantial risk of imminent serious physical injury or death to another person, as evidenced by the juvenile's recent conduct while incarcerated or detained.

SECTION 45. Arkansas Code § 12-9-113(d)(1), concerning training provided to law enforcement officers that relates to child abuse victim interview techniques, is amended to read as follows:

(d) Pertaining to child abuse victim interview techniques, the topics that shall be covered are:

(1) Current law, including the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq., and the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.;

(2) Child sexual abuse; and

(3) Physical and behavioral indicators.

SECTION 46. Arkansas Code § 12-12-1105(b), concerning what DNA records shall be maintained in the State DNA Data Base, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The data base shall have the capability provided by computer software and procedures administered by the laboratory to store and maintain DNA records related to:

(1) Crime scene evidence and forensic casework;

(2) Convicted offenders and juveniles adjudicated delinquent who are required to provide a DNA sample under this subchapter;

(3) Offenders who were required to provide a DNA sample under former § 12-12-1101 et seq.;

(4) Anonymous DNA records used for forensic validation, quality control, or establishment of a population statistics database;

(5) Unidentified persons or body parts;

(6) Missing persons and biological relatives of missing persons;

(7) Persons arrested for a felony offense who are required to provide a DNA sample under § 12-12-1006; and

(8) Juveniles adjudicated delinquent who are required to provide a DNA sample under ~~§ 9-27-357~~ § 9-35-435.

SECTION 47. Arkansas Code § 12-18-309 is amended to read as follows:

12-18-309. Reports alleging that a child is disrupting his or her adoption or is a dependent juvenile.

The Child Abuse Hotline shall accept telephone calls or other communications alleging that a child is at risk of disrupting or has disrupted his or her adoption or that a child is a dependent juvenile, as defined in ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102, and shall immediately refer this information to the Department of Human Services.

SECTION 48. Arkansas Code § 12-18-620(f), concerning release of information in a circuit court child custody case upon a pending investigation under the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(f) Information on a pending investigation, including protected health information, may be released to or disclosed in a circuit court child custody case or similar case if:

(1) No seventy-two-hour hold has been exercised under this chapter or pleadings filed pursuant to the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.;

(2) Written notice of intent to request release or disclosure is provided to the investigating agency at least five (5) days before the date for release or disclosure;

(3) The investigating agency has the opportunity to appear before the court and be heard on the issue of release or disclosure;

(4) The information gathered by the investigative agency is necessary for the determination of an issue before the court;

(5) Waiting until completion of the investigation will jeopardize the health or safety of the child in the custody case;

(6) A protective order is issued to prevent redisclosure of the information provided by the investigating agency or the information is released or disclosed only to the court in camera; and

(7) Release or disclosure of the information will not compromise a criminal investigation.

SECTION 49. Arkansas Code § 12-18-710(f)(1), concerning release of information in a circuit court child custody case upon a true investigative determination under the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq., that is pending due process, is amended to read as follows:

(f) Information on a true investigative determination, including protected health information, may be released to or disclosed in a circuit court child custody case or similar case if:

(1) No seventy-two-hour hold has been exercised under this chapter or pleadings filed pursuant to the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.;

(2) Written notice of intent to request release or disclosure is provided to the investigating agency at least five (5) days before the date for release or disclosure;

(3) The investigating agency has the opportunity to appear before the court and be heard on the issue of release or disclosure;

(4) The information gathered by the investigative agency is necessary for the determination of an issue before the court;

(5) Waiting until completion of due process will jeopardize the health or safety of the child in the custody case;

(6) A protective order is issued to prevent redisclosure of the information provided by the investigating agency or the information is released or disclosed only to the court in camera; and

(7) Release or disclosure of the information will not compromise a criminal investigation.

SECTION 50. Arkansas Code § 12-18-1001(a), concerning when a child may be taken into protective custody under the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(a) A police officer, law enforcement, a juvenile division of circuit court judge during juvenile proceedings concerning the child or a sibling of the child, or a designated employee of the Department of Human Services may take a child into custody or any person in charge of a hospital or similar institution or any physician treating a child may keep that child in his or her custody without the consent of the parent or the guardian, whether or not additional medical treatment is required, if:

(1) The child is subjected to neglect as defined under § 12-18-103(14)(B) and the department assesses the family and determines that the newborn and any other children, including siblings, under the custody or care of the mother are at substantial risk of serious harm such that the children need to be removed from the custody or care of the mother;

(2) The child is a dependent juvenile as defined in the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.; or

(3) Circumstances or conditions of the child are such that continuing in his or her place of residence or in the care and custody of the parent, guardian, custodian, or caretaker presents an immediate danger to the health or physical well-being of the child.

SECTION 51. Arkansas Code § 12-18-1005(a), concerning when a written order is not required for the Department of Human Services to take a seventy-two-hour hold of a child, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A school, residential facility, hospital, or similar institution where a child may be located shall not require a written order for the Department of Human Services to take a seventy-two-hour hold under this section, ~~or § 9-27-313~~ § 9-35-308, or § 9-35-409.

SECTION 52. Arkansas Code § 12-18-1008(a), concerning when the Department of Human Services is required to remove a child from his or her home, is amended to read as follows:

(a) If the Department of Human Services determines that custody under this subchapter is required, the Department of Human Services shall take steps to remove the child under custody as outlined in this chapter or ~~pursuant to~~ under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 53. Arkansas Code § 12-18-1010(c), concerning when a child cannot remain safely in his or her home and must be removed from his or her home by the Department of Human Services, is amended to read as follows:

(c) If at any time during the protective services case the department determines that the child cannot safely remain at home, it shall take steps to remove the child under custody as outlined in this chapter or under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 54. Arkansas Code § 12-27-151 is amended to read as follows:

12-27-151. Juvenile sex offender assessments.

The Division of Correction may enter into a cooperative agreement with a qualified state treatment and assessment agency to conduct assessments of juveniles in the custody of the division who are required to register as sex offenders under ~~§ 9-27-356~~ § 9-35-434 and pay for services upon receipt of invoice.

SECTION 55. Arkansas Code § 12-41-809(a), concerning when a juvenile detention center or juvenile detention facility shall provide pretrial detention and short term sanctions, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Juvenile detention centers or juvenile detention facilities shall operate to provide pretrial detention and short term sanctions as provided for in ~~§ 9-27-330~~ § 9-35-423.

SECTION 56. Arkansas Code § 13-4-302(1)(B), concerning the maintenance of juvenile division court records by a county, is amended to read as follows:

(B) The county shall maintain records of the juvenile division of circuit court, in accordance with ~~§ 9-27-309~~ § 9-35-204, § 9-35-304, § 9-35-405, and other provisions of Title 9 and the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.;

SECTION 57. Arkansas Code § 16-13-326 is amended to read as follows:

16-13-326. Circuit court juvenile division funds.

(a)(1) All court costs, payments of restitution, fines, and fees assessed by the juvenile division of circuit court shall be deposited and accounted for by the county in which they are received.

(2) The court shall have the authority to direct that the ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines shall be collected by either the juvenile officer, the sheriff, or the clerk of the juvenile division of circuit court or other person designated by the court for the county in which the ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines are charged.

(b)(1) The officer designated by the court to collect juvenile ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines shall deposit the ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines into the appropriate fund and monthly deposit the ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines into the fund in the county treasury of the county where the court costs, payment of restitution, fees, and fines are collected.

(2)(A) In a judicial district with multiple judges designated to hear juvenile cases in the district plan under Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 14, the majority of the judges shall determine who is to be in charge of the collection and accounting of ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines.

(B) If there is no majority, the administrative judge is to determine who shall be in charge of the collection and accounting of ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines as provided by this section.

(3)(A) However, in judicial districts having more than one (1) county, the majority of the judges or the administrative judge may designate the treasurer of one (1) of the counties in the district as the depository of all juvenile and diversion ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines collected in the district.

(B) The treasurer so designated by the court shall maintain a separate account of the juvenile ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and

fines collected in each county in the district so that ~~fees,~~ court costs, payments of restitution, fees, and fines collected in a county are spent to support the juveniles and juvenile division court services and programs in that county.

(C) Money remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to any other fund but shall remain in the circuit court juvenile division fund and carry over to the next fiscal year.

(c) The funds derived from the collection of juvenile ~~fees,~~ court costs, fees, and fines shall be used by agreement of the judge or judges of the circuit court designated to hear juvenile cases in the district plan under Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 14, originally issued April 6, 2001, and the quorum court of the county to provide services and supplies to juveniles and support court programs at the discretion of the juvenile division of circuit court, including without limitation:

(1) Juvenile drug courts;

(2) Teen courts;

(3) Volunteer probation programs;

(4) Court-appointed special advocates; and

(5) After-school and community-based programs.

(d) The funds derived from the collection of payments of restitution shall be remitted to the respective victims of those cases.

SECTION 58. Arkansas Code § 16-98-303(a)(3)(C), concerning the use of a juvenile drug court program or services in a dependency-neglect case, is amended to read as follows:

(C) A juvenile drug court program or services may be used in a dependency-neglect case under ~~§ 9-27-334~~ § 9-35-320.

SECTION 59. Arkansas Code § 16-122-102(d), concerning exceptions to the application of § 16-122-102, is amended to read as follows:

(d) This section does not apply to juveniles subject to the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.

SECTION 60. Arkansas Code § 20-6-102(5), concerning the definition of "emancipated minor" under the Arkansas Healthcare Decisions Act, § 20-6-101 et seq., is amended to read as follows:

(5) “Emancipated minor” means a minor who has been emancipated under ~~§ 9-27-362~~ § 9-35-109;

SECTION 61. Arkansas Code § 20-18-409(c)(2), concerning the identification of a parent in a dependency-neglect proceeding and the establishment of paternity, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Information obtained by the Division of Children and Family Services of the Department of Human Services under subdivision (c)(1)(A) of this section may be used in an action before a circuit court for the purpose of identifying a parent in a dependency-neglect proceeding under ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102.

SECTION 62. Arkansas Code § 20-82-211(a)(5)—(b), concerning powers and duties of the Child Welfare Ombudsman, is amended to read as follows:

(5) The Child Welfare Ombudsman shall have the following powers and duties:

(A) The duty to work independently of the:

(i) Department of Human Services;

(ii) Administrative Office of the Courts;

(iii) Commission for Parent Counsel;

(iv) Attorney Ad Litem Program;

(v) Arkansas Public Defender Commission; and

(vi) Arkansas Court Appointed Special Advocates program;

(B) The duty to communicate with a:

(i) Juvenile after the approval of, and subject to the conditions set by, the:

(a) Dependency-neglect attorney ad litem appointed to the juvenile; or

(b) Attorney for the juvenile if the juvenile has an attorney other than a dependency-neglect attorney ad litem; and

(ii) Parent of a juvenile after the approval of, and subject to the conditions set by, the attorney for the parent if the parent has an attorney;

(C) The authority to access a record as allowed by law;

(D) The duty to review and recommend necessary changes to procedures under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq., and other laws relevant to the operation of the child welfare system that are applicable to the:

(i) Department of Human Services;

(ii) Division of Arkansas State Police;

(iii) Administrative Office of the Courts;

(iv) Attorney Ad Litem Program;

(v) Commission for Parent Counsel;

(vi) Arkansas Public Defender Commission; and

(vii) Arkansas Court Appointed Special Advocates program;

(E) The duty to review an issue or concern related to a court case or investigation of a juvenile if it appears that the juvenile, parent of the juvenile, foster parent of the juvenile, relative of the juvenile, or fictive kin of the juvenile may need assistance from the child welfare ombudsman;

(F) The duty to provide training and technical assistance if a request is received from:

(i) A member of the child welfare system;

(ii) The General Assembly; or

(iii) The office of the Governor;

(G) The duty to make the public aware of the Child Welfare Ombudsman Division and the contact information for the Child Welfare Ombudsman Division; and

(H)(i) The duty to prepare an annual report concerning the work of the Child Welfare Ombudsman Division, the operation of the child welfare system, and any recommendations related to the operation of the child welfare system.

(ii) The Child Welfare Ombudsman Division shall submit the annual report to the:

(a) Governor;

(b) Secretary of the Department of Human Services;

(c) Director of the Division of Arkansas State Police;

(d) Director of the Division of Children and Family Services;

(e) Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts;

(f) Commission for Parent Counsel;

(g) House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs; and

(h) Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth.

(iii) The annual report shall not contain information that would identify a juvenile or the family of a juvenile.

(b) As used in this section, "juvenile" means a juvenile as defined in ~~§ 9-27-303~~ § 9-35-102 who is:

(1) A respondent in a dependency-neglect proceeding held under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq.; or

(2) The subject of a child maltreatment investigation under the Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq.

SECTION 63. Arkansas Code § 21-6-416(f), concerning when technology fees shall not be charged by a circuit court clerk, is amended to read as follows:

(f) Fees under this section shall not be charged or collected in cases brought in the circuit court under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., by a governmental entity or nonprofit corporation, including without limitation an attorney ad litem appointed in a dependency-neglect case or the Department of Human Services.

SECTION 64. Arkansas Code § 28-65-107(c)(1), concerning jurisdiction over a guardianship petition when a juvenile is the subject matter of an open case under the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq., is amended to read as

follows:

(c)(1) If a juvenile is the subject matter of an open case filed under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., the guardianship petition shall be filed in that case if the juvenile resides in Arkansas.

SECTION 65. Arkansas Code § 28-65-203(a)(2), concerning qualifications of a potential guardian for a minor when the potential guardian is a convicted and unpardoned felon, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Subject to the requirements in subdivision (a)(1) of this section, a convicted and unpardoned felon may:

(A) Be the guardian of the person for an adult;

(B) Be the guardian of the person for a minor who is not subject to a dependency-neglect proceeding under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., if the convicted and unpardoned felon is a relative or fictive kin as defined in § 9-28-402;

(C) Be the guardian of the person for a minor who is subject to a dependency-neglect proceeding under the ~~Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989, § 9-27-301 et seq.~~ Arkansas Juvenile Code, § 9-35-101 et seq., if the convicted and unpardoned felon qualifies for guardianship under subsection (b) of this section; and

(D) Not be the guardian of the estate for any person.

SECTION 66. DO NOT CODIFY. Construction.

(a) The enactment and adoption of this act shall not expressly or impliedly repeal an act passed during the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly.

(b) To the extent that a conflict exists between an act of the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly and this act:

(1) The act of the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly shall be treated as a subsequent act passed by the General Assembly for the purposes of:

(A) Giving the act of the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly its full force and effect; and

(B) Amending or repealing the appropriate parts of the Arkansas Code of 1987; and

(2) Section 1-2-107 shall not apply.

SECTION 67. DO NOT CODIFY. Incorporation of legislation into recodified Arkansas Juvenile Code and related amendments.

(a) For purposes of incorporation into the recodified Arkansas Juvenile Code created by this act and related amendments to the Arkansas Code made in connection with the recodification of the Arkansas Juvenile Code, all references in the acts passed at the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly to the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989 or to provisions of the Arkansas Code amended by

this act in connection with the recodification of the Arkansas Juvenile Code shall be deemed to refer to the applicable or corresponding provisions contained in the recodified Arkansas Juvenile Code and related amendments to the Arkansas Code made in connection with the recodification of the Arkansas Juvenile Code.

(b) The Bureau of Legislative Research, while assisting the Arkansas Code Revision Commission with the commission's powers and duties, shall:

(1) Incorporate acts passed in the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly amending the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989 or to provisions of the Arkansas Code amended by this act in connection with the recodification of the Arkansas Juvenile Code into the appropriate provisions of the Arkansas Code so long as those revisions do not result in a change in the substance or meaning of a provision of the act; and

(2) Make technical changes to the Arkansas Code necessary to implement this act, including without limitation changes to citations in the Arkansas Code referencing provisions of Arkansas law amended by this act.

SECTION 68. DO NOT CODIFY. Technical revisions to Code of Arkansas Rules.

(a) The General Assembly finds that, as a result of the recodification of the Arkansas Juvenile Code and other amendments to the Arkansas Code under this act, multiple statutory references to the Arkansas Juvenile Code or other provisions of Arkansas law in the Code of Arkansas Rules will be incorrect and require revision to reflect the changes implemented by this act.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that these provisions of the Code of Arkansas Rules be updated by the Bureau of Legislative Research as part of its maintenance of the Code of Arkansas Rules.

(c) The bureau shall update statutory references to the Arkansas Juvenile Code of 1989 or other provisions of Arkansas law in the Code of Arkansas Rules to reflect the proper citations under this act.

(d) Any person or state entity identifying one (1) or more citations contained in the Code of Arkansas Rules that require revision to implement this act may notify the Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research or his or her designee of the citations at issue.

SECTION 69. DO NOT CODIFY. Correction of technical errors related to implementation of recodification of the Arkansas Juvenile Code.

(a)(1) The General Assembly finds that:

(A) The implementation of this act involves a multitude of changes to existing Arkansas law;

(B) Many of the changes implemented by this act are highly technical and require careful study of the purpose and context of each Arkansas Code section, with the need for some of the changes not becoming apparent until after the implementation of this act;

(C) When implementing revisions as large and comprehensive

as the changes under this act, it is inevitable that certain sections of the Arkansas Code requiring technical changes to follow the intent of this act will be either omitted or amended in a manner that is later found to be erroneous and unintentional;

(D) It is likewise inevitable that other acts enacted by the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly will not take into account the changes in this act, resulting in technical inconsistencies between newly passed laws; and

(E) If the correct statutory change to remedy an unintentional error or an inconsistency between this act and another act of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly is readily apparent and consistent with the intent of this act, the unintentional error or inconsistency should be corrected as part of the codification process due to the technical nature of the unintentional error or inconsistency.

(2) It is the intent of the General Assembly to empower the Arkansas Code Revision Commission to correct technical errors identified in the Arkansas Code during the implementation of this act to allow this act to be fully implemented.

(b)(1)(A) Any person or state entity identifying one (1) or more sections of the Arkansas Code that require revision to implement the intent of this act may notify the Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research or his or her designee of the section or sections at issue.

(B) If the Bureau of Legislative Research, while assisting the commission with the commission's powers and duties, becomes aware of one (1) or more sections of the Arkansas Code that require revision to implement the intent of this act for which it appears that the bureau and the commission do not have authority to make the necessary revision under § 1-2-303(d), the bureau may notify the commission of the section or sections at issue.

(2) If the commission determines that the revision necessary to one (1) or more sections of the Arkansas Code under subdivision (b)(1) of this section is technical in nature, germane to the intent of this act, and consistent with this act's policy and purposes, the commission may make the revision to the Arkansas Code.

(3) The commission shall notify the publisher of the Arkansas Code of a revision to the Arkansas Code under subdivision (b)(2) of this section as soon as possible so that the revision may be reflected in the official hard copy version of the Arkansas Code and the official electronic version of the Arkansas Code.

(4)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(4)(B) of this section, when the commission approves a revision to the Arkansas Code under subdivision (b)(2) of this section, the commission shall notify the following of the revision within thirty (30) days:

(i) The Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(ii) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

(iii) The Legislative Council.

(B) The commission is not required to make a notification under subdivision (b)(4)(A) of this section if the revision is made under § 1-2-303(d).

(c) The authority granted to the commission under this section is supplemental to the commission's authority under § 1-2-303.

(d) This section shall expire on December 31, 2026."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 320, adopted by the House, was read the first time , rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 320 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 320

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DALBY, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 320 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 320. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.320 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 606 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 606 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 606

Amend Senate Bill No. 606 as originally introduced:

Page 6, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

"subsequent retail sale is subject to the ~~fee~~ fees imposed under § 8-9-404 ~~or a commercial generator~~;"

AND

Page 10, line 19, delete "generator" and substitute "retailer"

AND

Page 32, line 24, delete "generator" and substitute "retailer"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 606 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1303 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1303

As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H3/17/25 S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES JEAN, ET AL

BY: SENATORS STONE, J. BOYD, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, FLIPPO, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE TAX INCENTIVES RELATED TO SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL; TO CREATE THE SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL INCENTIVE ACT; TO CREATE *AN INCOME* TAX !CREDIT RELATED TO SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL; AND FOR^

House Bill No. 1303 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hickey spoke for the bill.

Senator Stone closed for the bill.

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 1303. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1303 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1669 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1669

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE KEEP KIDS FIRST ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR PROTECTIONS FROM DISCRIMINATION FOR ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SINCERELY HELD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS; TO PROVIDE A VEHICLE FOR RECOVERY BY ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SINCERELY HELD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS WHEN CERTAIN DISCRIMINATORY ACTIONS ARE TAKEN AGAINST THE FAITH-BASED ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1669 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang, Payton.

Total 2

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Gilmore, Irvin.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1669 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1707 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1707
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HAWK, UNDERWOOD
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES; TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT, TOWNSHIP, OR MUNICIPAL OFFICE TO FILE REPORTS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY OFFICE TO FILE REPORTS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1707 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1707. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Love, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1707, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Love, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1707 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1724 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1724

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCKENZIE

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MEMBERS OF LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE DATE ON WHICH AN ELECTION OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS HELD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1724 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1724. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Love, Petty.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1724 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1745 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1745
As Engrossed: H3/19/25 S4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HAWK, BROOKS, JOEY CARR, EAVES, EVANS, HALL, HOLCOMB, MILLIGAN, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PILKINGTON, SCHULZ, VAUGHT, *HENLEY*
BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, DEES, GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE HOLDERS TO POSSESS A UNITED STATES WORK AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE IN THE *STATE; TO REQUIRE AN OPERATOR OF A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE TO HAVE PROFICIENCY IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE;* TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF PRESENTING A FALSE FOREIGN COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1745 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke on the bill.
Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1745. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1745 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1757 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1757

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RAILROADS; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF TAMPERING WITH RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1757 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1757. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1757 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 451 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 451 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 451

Amend Senate Bill No. 451 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 10, delete "HEALTH" and substitute "HUMAN SERVICES"

AND

Page 1, line 12, delete "CRISIS RESPONSE TEAMS" and substitute "PROGRAMS"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL

HEALTH PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE
LAW CONCERNING THE EDUCATION
OF CERTAIN STUDENTS; AND TO
DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 1, line 30, delete "crisis response team" and substitute "programs"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 31 through 36

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "(b) No later than July 1, 2025" and substitute "(a) No later than January 1, 2026"

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "lead" and substitute "the Medicaid"

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "crisis response teams" and substitute "programs"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 9, and substitute the following:
"districts and open-enrollment public charter schools with locating the appropriate services for a"

AND

Page 2, delete line 12, and substitute the following:
"(b) A behavioral health program shall:"

AND

Page 2, line 21, delete "(d)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 2, line 23, delete "(1)(A)" and substitute "(1)"

AND

Page 2, line 23, delete "and placement"

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "family." and substitute "family; and"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 25 through 32

AND

Page 3, delete lines 2 through 24, and substitute the following:

"(d) By January 1, 2026, the Department of Human Services shall:

(1) Develop behavior health programs to adequately meet the needs of Arkansas students; and

(2)(A) Collaborate with the Department of Education to identify regional alternative learning environments to repurpose the locations to be utilized for a behavior health program.

(B) If an alternative learning environment is not available in a region, the Department of Human Services and Department of Education shall identify a location within the region to be utilized for a behavior health program.

(e) The Department of Human Services and the Department of Education shall develop appropriate funding sources for students referred to a behavior health program under this section and who do not have the ability to pay for care.

(f) A behavior health program shall:

(1) Provide the necessary treatment for a student who"

AND

Page 3, line 27, delete "(4)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 8, line 8, delete "Health" and substitute "Human Services"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 9 through 11, and substitute the following:
"Department of Education establish regional behavioral health programs in order to address immediate public school safety and security needs. Therefore, an emergency is"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 451 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hill, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1845 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1845 was withdrawn from the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1845

Amend House Bill No.1845 as originally introduced:

Immediately following SECTION 11 of the bill, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 12. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. (a)(1) Upon the implementation of the systems under § 27-14-906(f), the Office of Motor Vehicle shall certify that fact in writing to the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration.

(2) The secretary shall file the certification under subdivision (a)(1) of this section with the Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission.

(b)(1) Sections 9 and 10 of this act shall become effective upon the date of the certification of implementation under subdivision (a)(1) of this section.

(2) Sections 9 and 10 of this section shall not become effective unless the systems under § 27-14-906(f) are implemented."

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1845 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 132 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 132

JBC 03/20/25 (4)

Amend Senate Bill No. 132 as engrossed S3/3/25:

Page 3, lines 15 and 16, delete "Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account" and substitute "cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 132, adopted by the House, was read the first time , rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dismang, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 132 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 132

As Engrossed: S3/3/25 H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO OTHER APPROPRIATIONS MADE BY THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PAY APPROVED CLAIMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 132 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 132. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 132, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 132 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 25 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 25

JBC 04/02/25 (1)(m)

Amend Senate Bill No. 25 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 24 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(30) X009C ACOM INS DEPT DIR OF SECURITY OPS 1 GRADE GS10~~"

and

Page 3, delete line 1 in its entirety and substitute:
" ~~(43) R014C PERSONNEL MANAGER 1 GRADE GS08~~"

and

Page 3, delete line 14 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(56) R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST 1 GRADE GS06~~"

and

Page 3, delete line 20 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(62) R033C BENEFITS ANALYST 1 GRADE GS05~~"

and

Page 3, delete line 25 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(67) RO36C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST 1 GRADE GS04~~"

and

Page 3, line 31, delete "193" and substitute "188"

and

Page 4, line 14, delete "$8,425,433" and substitute "$8,183,021"

and

Page 4, line 16, delete "2,966,108" and substitute "2,870,046"

and

Page 4, line 26, delete "$15,765,315" and substitute "$15,426,841".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 25 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 37 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 37

JBC 04/02/25(1)(n)(2)(c)

Amend Senate Bill No. 37 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and substitute:

" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	SC002	ACOM SECRETARY OF COMMERCE	1	GRADE SE05
(2)	G329C	CHIEF WORKFORCE OFFICER	1	GRADE SE04
(3)	N263N	COMMERCE CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE SE03
(4)	A152C	ACOM CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE SE01
(5)	G330C	ACOM CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL II	1	GRADE SE01
(6)	D150C	ACOM CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE IT12
(7)	D002N	STATE DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR LEAD	1	GRADE IT11
(8)	D001C	STATE DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE IT09
(9)	D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	1	GRADE IT08
(10)	D029C	SENIOR GIS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT07
(11)	D063C	COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT05
(12)	D064C	WEBSITE DEVELOPER	1	GRADE IT04
(13)	N084N	ACOM AEDC MRKT & COMM. DIR	1	GRADE GS15
(14)	N066N	ACOM CHIEF COMM & LEG. AFFAIRS	2	GRADE GS14
(15	A014C	FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	2	GRADE GS12
(16)	G026N	ACOM AEDC ASSISTANT DIR. MGMT SVS	1	GRADE GS12
(17)	G030N	ACOM AEDC ASST DIR OF STEM EDUCATION	1	GRADE GS12

(18)	P007N ACOM DWS DIR. OF COMMUNICATIONS	1	GRADE GS12
(19)	P078C ACOM ARS DIR. OF COMMUNICATIONS	1	GRADE GS12
(20)	R006C HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR	3	GRADE GS12
(21)	R013C AGENCY HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
(22)	A040C ACOM ADFA FISCAL PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
(23)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
(24)	X009C ACOM INSURANCE DEPT DIR OF SEC. OPS	1	GRADE GS10
(25)	A038C FISCAL SUPPORT MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(26)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
(27)	A060C SENIOR AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS08
(28)	A082C ACCOUNTANT II	4	GRADE GS08
(29)	R014C PERSONNEL MANAGER	3	GRADE GS08
(30)	A065C PAYROLL SERVICES COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(31)	C114C ACOM EXECUTIVE ASST TO SECRETARY	1	GRADE GS07
(32)	E040C STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(33)	G148C ENERGY PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
(34)	G163C ACOM REHAB PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(35)	G181C ACOM DWS PROGRAM MONITOR	1	GRADE GS07
(36)	R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE GS07
(37)	A080C ACOM FINANCE AUTHORITY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(38)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(39)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(40)	R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	5	GRADE GS06
(41)	R027C BUDGET SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(42)	R033C BENEFITS ANALYST	1	GRADE GS05
(43)	R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS04
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	59”	

and

Page 2, line 29, delete "$2,337,577" and substitute "$4,400,000"

and

Page 2, line 30, delete "759,481" and substitute "1,502,564"

and

Page 2, line 32, delete "272,000" and substitute "500,000"

and

Page 2, line 33, delete "100,000" and substitute "200,000"

and

Page 2, line 35, delete "0" and substitute "100,000"

and

Page 3, line 1, delete "$3,569,058" and substitute "$6,802,564"

and

Page 3, delete SECTION 3 in its entirety

and

Page 3, delete SECTION 4 in its entirety

and

Page 4, delete SECTION 5 in its entirety

and

Page 5, delete SECTION 8 in its entirety

and

Page 6, delete line 6 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(4) D029C SENIOR GIS ANALYST 1 GRADE IT07~~"

and

Page 6, delete line 9 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(7) N225N ACOM AEDC EXEC VP & GEN COUNSEL 1 GRADE GS15~~"

and

Page 6, delete line 12 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(10) N059N ACOM AEDC TRAINING DIVISION DIRECTOR 1 GRADE GS14~~"

and

Page 6, delete line 14 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(12) B140C ACOM AEDC MANUFACTURING SOLUTIONS DIR 1 GRADE GS13~~"

and

Page 6, delete line 16 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(14) G034N ACOM AEDC ASST DIR SALES AND MARKETING 1 GRADE GS12~~"

and

Page 6, delete line 19 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(17) B018N ACOM AEDC FIELD ENGINEER 3 GRADE GS12~~"

and

Page 6, line 27 delete "30" and substitute "26"

and

Page 6, delete line 29 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(27) A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR 1 GRADE GS09~~"

and

Page 6, delete line 36 in its entirety and substitute:
"~~(34) NG159C DEPARTMENT BUSINESS COORDINATOR 1 GRADE GS07~~"

and

Page 7, line 1, delete "2" and substitute "1"

and

Page 7, line 8, delete "85" and substitute "70"

and

Page 7, line 14, delete "six (6)" and substitute "seven (7)"

and

Page 7, delete SECTION 11 in its entirety

and

Page 8, line 1, delete "$4,283,320" and substitute "$3,967,320"

and

Page 8, line 3, delete "1,472,164" and substitute "1,366,101"

and

Page 8, line 15, delete "$13,405,008" and substitute "$12,982,945"

and

Page 11, delete SECTION 21 in its entirety

and

Pages 11 and 12, delete SECTION 22 in its entirety

and

Pages 12 and 13, delete SECTION 23 in its entirety

and

Pages 16 and 17, delete SECTION 32 in its entirety

and

Page 17, immediately following SECTION 32 insert the following new SECTIONS:

" SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - RURAL SERVICES DIVISION - ANIMAL RESCUE AND SHELTER GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce - Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Rural Services Division, to be payable from the Animal Rescue and Shelter Trust Fund, for grants to a county or municipality based only on the infrastructure needs for animal rescues or animal shelters for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	ANIMAL RESCUE AND SHELTER GRANTS	$50,000"

SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - RURAL SERVICES DIVISION - COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce - Arkansas Economic Development Commission -

Rural Services Division - Community Assistance Grant Program, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for community assistance grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM	$10,000,000"

SECTION 35. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REALLOCATION OF RESOURCES - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. Upon determination by the Secretary of the Department of Commerce that a reallocation of resources for purposes of reorganization or consolidation of administrative functions within or between divisions is necessary for efficient and effective operations of the department, the Secretary, with approval of the Governor and prior approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, shall have the authority to request from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, a transfer of positions, appropriations, programs, and funds between divisions or other budgetary units of the department. The transfers of positions, programs, or activities shall be used for those purposes for which the appropriations were approved by the General Assembly. Upon approval by the Governor, the Secretary of the Department of Commerce shall request to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, a transfer of positions, programs, funds, appropriations, and/or line-item appropriations within or between existing and newly created divisions, offices, sections and/or units. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall then initiate the necessary transfer documents to reflect transfers upon the fiscal records of the State Treasurer, the State Auditor, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and Divisions of the Commerce Department. Provided, however, that the Secretary shall be limited to submitting no more than two (2) individual transaction transfer requests during any fiscal year.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Commerce may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Commerce under the Reallocation of Resources provisions herein. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026."

and

Appropriately renumber all the SECTION numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 37 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 39 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 39

JBC 04/02/25 (1)(o)(2)(d)

Amend Senate Bill No. 39 as engrossed S3/10/25:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and substitute the following:

" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	U070U	ACOM DWS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	U076U	DWS WORKFORCE INVESTMENT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(3)	D002N	STATE DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR LEAD	1	GRADE IT11
(4)	D006N	STATE SYSTEMS ARCHITECT	3	GRADE IT10
(5)	D001C	STATE DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE IT09
(6)	D022N	IT SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE IT09
(7)	D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	3	GRADE IT08
(8)	D012C	DATABASE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT08
(9)	D017C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT07
(10)	D022C	SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	2	GRADE IT06
(11)	D028C	SENIOR SOFTWARE SUPPORT SPECIALIST	3	GRADE IT07
(12)	D038C	SENIOR SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	14	GRADE IT06
(13)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	6	GRADE IT05
(14)	D061C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATION SPEC	1	GRADE IT05
(15)	D063C	COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT05
(16)	D071C	COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	2	GRADE IT03
(17)	G349C	DWS CHIEF OF LEGAL SERVICES	1	GRADE GS15
(18)	A139C	CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS15
(19)	G007N	ACOM DWS GENERAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS14
(20)	G004C	MANAGING ATTORNEY	2	GRADE GS13
(21)	N050N	ACOM DWS ASST DIR, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	1	GRADE GS13
(22)	G010C	ACOM DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
(23)	G047C	ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	3	GRADE GS11
(24)	A031C	ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	2	GRADE GS11
(25)	G040C	ACOM REHAB DIRECTOR - SPECIAL PROGRAMS	1	GRADE GS10
(26)	G073C	ATTORNEY	1	GRADE GS10
(27)	G109C	GRANTS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(28)	G110C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM MANAGER	4	GRADE GS09
(29)	R015C	ACOM DWS EQUAL OPPORTUNITY MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09

(30)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
(31)	R019C BUDGET MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(32)	R021C BUDGET ANALYST	1	GRADE GS08
(33)	G127C ACOM DWS PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANAGER	5	GRADE GS08
(34)	A041C PROGRAM FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
(35)	G128C ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER II	1	GRADE GS08
(36)	L098C CERTIFIED VOCATIONAL REHAB COUNSELOR	3	GRADE GS08
(37)	V007C PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS08
(38)	A082C ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE GS08
(39)	S017C MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(40)	X047C REAL ESTATE MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
(41)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	3	GRADE GS07
(42)	A065C PAYROLL SERVICES COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(43)	A075C FINANCIAL ANALYST I	2	GRADE GS07
(44)	A081C AUDITOR	2	GRADE GS07
(45)	G163C ACOM REHAB PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(46)	G179C LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(47)	A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	6	GRADE GS06
(48)	A084C PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(49)	G217C ACOM DWS WORKFORCE SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS06
(50)	S033C MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE GS06
(51)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(52)	R027C BUDGET SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS06
(53)	S032C PRINT SHOP SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS05
(54)	V014C BUYER	3	GRADE GS05
(55)	S031C SKILLED TRADESMAN	1	GRADE GS05
(56)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	16	GRADE GS05
(57)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS04
(58)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	3	GRADE GS04
(59)	S046C MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE GS04
(60)	R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	137	

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$8,165,436
(02) EXTRA HELP	200,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,042,896
(04) OVERTIME	100,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4,200,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	50,000
(C) PROF. FEES	250,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	250,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$16,258,332"

and

Page 4, line 24, delete "OPERATIONS" and substitute "OPERATIONS - TRUST FUND"

and

Page 4, line 27, delete "Operations" and substitute "Operations - Trust Fund"

and

Page 6, line 23, delete "4,026,000" and substitute "10,000,000"

and

Page 6, line 24, delete "$4,026,000" and substitute "$10,000,000"

and

Page 7, immediately following SECTION 8, insert the following new SECTIONS:

" SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES – REEMPLOYMENT. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services – Reemployment for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	U036U	AR APPEALS TRIBUNAL CHAIRMAN	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	G324C	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, REEMPLOYMENT	1	GRADE GS15
(3)	N074N	ACOM DWS ASST DIR, UNEMPLOYMENT INS	1	GRADE GS13
(4)	G020C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS12
(5)	A031C	ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	1	GRADE GS11
(6)	G047C	ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
(7)	G068C	ACOM DWS AREA OPERATIONS CHIEF	1	GRADE GS10
(8)	G073C	ATTORNEY	8	GRADE GS10
(9)	G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
(10)	G110C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM MANAGER	5	GRADE GS09
(11)	G288C	ACOM DWS DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(12)	G127C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANAGER	15	GRADE GS08
(13)	G128C	ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER II	1	GRADE GS08
(14)	A073C	PROGRAM/FIELD AUDITOR SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS07
(15)	A081C	AUDITOR	2	GRADE GS07
(16)	A085C	ACOM DWS SR FIELD TAX REPRESENTATIVE	2	GRADE GS07
(17)	A089C	ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE GS07
(18)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
(19)	G138C	AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OFFICER	8	GRADE GS07
(20)	G149C	ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER I	6	GRADE GS07
(21)	G181C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM MONITOR	29	GRADE GS07
(22)	G196C	ACOM DWS SATELLITE OFFICE SUPERVISOR	6	GRADE GS07
(23)	G209C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM SUPERVISOR	14	GRADE GS07
(24)	A084C	PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(25)	A092C	ACOM DWS FIELD TAX REP	14	GRADE GS06
(26)	B076C	RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	6	GRADE GS06
(27)	C032C	ACOM DWS UI CLAIM TECHNICIAN	9	GRADE GS06
(28)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
(29)	E046C	TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	10	GRADE GS06
(30)	G217C	ACOM DWS WORKFORCE SPECIALIST	125	GRADE GS06

(31)	X139C ACOM DWS UI INVESTIGATOR	10	GRADE GS06
(32)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS05
(33)	C050C ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS05
(34)	G220C DWS UNIT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS05
(35)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	11	GRADE GS04
(36)	C046C LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	9	GRADE GS04
(37)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	5	GRADE GS04
(38)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	5	GRADE GS03
(39)	X183C ACOM DWS CLAIMS ADJUDICATOR	4	GRADE GS03
(40)	C087C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	2	GRADE GS02
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	325	

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - REEMPLOYMENT - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services – Reemployment - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	$10,050,500
(02)	EXTRA HELP	500,000
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	4,685,817
(04)	OVERTIME	260,000
(05)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	5,000,000
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	75,000
	(C) PROF. FEES	775,000
	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
	(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		$21,346,317”

and

Page 9, immediately following SECTION 12, insert the following new SECTIONS:

" SECTION 13. REGULAR SALARIES - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES - ARKANSAS WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Workforce Connections for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	G323C	DIR OF ARKANSAS WORKFORCE CONNECTION	1	GRADE SE04
(2)	U070U	ACOM DWS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(3)	N051N	ACOM DWS ASST DIR, EMPLOYMENT ASSIST	1	GRADE GS13
(4)	A015C	ACOM DWS DIR INTERNAL AUDIT & SECURITY	1	GRADE GS12
(5)	G016N	ACOM DWS ASST DIR GRANTS RESOURCE ADMIN	1	GRADE GS12
(6)	G020C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS12
(7)	G068C	ACOM DWS AREA OPERATIONS CHIEF	5	GRADE GS10
(8)	G073C	ATTORNEY	2	GRADE GS10
(9)	G109C	GRANTS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(10)	G110C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM MANAGER	2	GRADE GS09
(11)	G243C	ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER III	2	GRADE GS09
(12)	A060C	SENIOR AUDITOR	2	GRADE GS08
(13)	G114C	ACOM DWS WORKFORCE INVEST REG ADVISOR	2	GRADE GS08
(14)	G127C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANAGER	9	GRADE GS08
(15)	G128C	ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER II	12	GRADE GS08
(16)	E040C	STAFF DEVELOPMENT OORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(17)	G149C	ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER I	3	GRADE GS07
(18)	G181C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM MONITOR	16	GRADE GS07
(19)	G209C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM SUPERVISOR	5	GRADE GS07
(20)	B076C	RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(21)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	5	GRADE GS06
(22)	E046C	TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE GS06
(23)	G217C	ACOM DWS WORKFORCE SPECIALIST	58	GRADE GS06
(24)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
(25)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	3	GRADE GS03
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	137	

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to

be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Workforce Connections for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$2,000,000
(02) EXTRA HELP	25,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	789,450
(04) OVERTIME	10,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,310,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	50,000
(C) PROF. FEES	1,000,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	200,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$6,384,450

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - WAGNER PEYSER - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services – Wagner Peyser - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) WAGNER PEYSER - FEDERAL	$7,000,000

SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - JOBS FOR VETERANS - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Jobs for Veterans – Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

(01) JOBS FOR VETERANS - FEDERAL	$1,750,000

SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Foreign Labor Certification Program – Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM	$450,000

SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Work Opportunity Tax Credit – Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT PROGRAM	$450,000

SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department
of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Trade Adjustment Assistance Program - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - FEDERAL	$350,000

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - REIMAGINE - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services – Reimagine – Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	REIMAGINE PROGRAM	$600,000

SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT	$4,000,000

SECTION 22. REGULAR SALARIES - ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK/EXISTING BUSINESS. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network/Existing Business for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	N225N	ACOM AEDC EXEC VICE PRESIDENT & GEN COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS15
(2)	N059N	ACOM AEDC TRAINING DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
(3)	B140C	ACOM AEDC MANUFACTURING SOLUTIONS DIR	1	GRADE GS13
(4)	B018N	ACOM AEDC FIELD ENGINEER	3	GRADE GS12
(5)	G034N	ACOM AEDC ASST DIR SALES AND MARKETING	1	GRADE GS12
(6)	G062C	ACOM AEDC PROJECT CONSULTANT	4	GRADE GS11
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	11	

SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK/EXISTING BUSINESS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department

of Commerce, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network/Existing Business for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$448,600
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	144,950
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$638,550

SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK - STATE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) AR MANUFACTURING EXT NETWORK	$257,182

SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, grants and aid, and field services by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$763,098
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	251,793
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	269,550
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) FIELD SERVICES	800,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$2,084,441

SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$345,963
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	117,821
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	543,200
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	67,360
(C) PROF. FEES	75,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) AR MANUFACTURING NETWORK/TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ASSISTANCE/OTHER GRANTS & AID	13,270
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$1,162,614

SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION – SUPPLY CHAIN OPTIMIZATION AND INTELLIGENCE NETWORK - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses to support the creation of a National Supply Chain Optimization and Intelligence Network (S-COIN) of the Department of Commerce -

Division of Workforce Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	SUPPLY CHAIN OPTIMIZATION AND INTELLIGENCE NETWORK	$400,000

SECTION 28. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF SKILLS DEVELOPMENT. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Office of Skills Development for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	U065U	ACOM DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	G010C	ACOM DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
(3)	E073C	APPRENTICESHIP EXPANSION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS10
(4)	E074C	ACOM PROGRAM COORDINATOR	4	GRADE GS10
(5)	E075C	ACOM PROGRAM ADVISOR	3	GRADE GS09
(6)	A060C	SENIOR AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS08
(7)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS05
(8)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	13	

SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION – OFFICE OF SKILLS DEVELOPMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the Skills Development Fund, for personal services, operating expenses, grants and expenses of the Apprenticeship and Industry Training programs by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Office of Skills Development for the year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	$870,966
(02)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	290,541
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	353,000
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	35,000
	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000

(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	8,000,000
(05) INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM	15,000,000
(06) APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM	1,611,456
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$26,210,963

SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION – CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CRAFT TRAINING PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the Arkansas Construction Industry Craft Training Trust Fund,
for personal services, operating expenses and grants by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Construction Industry Craft Training Program for the year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$54,061
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	20,338
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	32,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) GRANTS TO CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CRAFT	800,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$ 916,399

SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION – STATE APPRENTICESHIP EXPANSION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses, and to expand opportunities relating to apprenticeship programs registered under the National Apprenticeship Act through grants, cooperative agreements, contracts and other arrangements, with states and other appropriate entities by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - State Apprenticeship Expansion for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

(01) STATE APPRENTICESHIP EXPANSION FORMULA
$1,130,150

SECTION 32. REGULAR SALARIES - ADULT EDUCATION. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services – Adult Education for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	U065U	ACOM DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	G010C	ACOM DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
(3)	E074C	ACOM PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS10
(4)	E075C	ACOM PROGRAM ADVISOR	9	GRADE GS09
(5)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	2	GRADE GS07
(6)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(7)	G217C	ACOM DWS WORKFORCE SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS06
(8)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	21	"

and

Page 11, immediately following SECTION 17, insert the following SECTIONS:

" SECTION 18. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce – Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	U012U	REHABILITATION SERVICES COMMISSIONER	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	L013N	GENERAL PHYSICIAN	2	GRADE MP06
(3)	L003C	PSYCHOLOGIST	2	GRADE MP03

(4)	L021N PHYSICAL THERAPIST	1	GRADE MP03
(5)	L022N OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST	3	GRADE MP02
(6)	L032C REGISTERED NURSE - HOSPITAL	2	GRADE MP01
(7)	N178N ACOM ARS CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE IT09
(8)	D052C SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
(9)	N172N ACOM REHAB OPERATIONS DIRECTOR	3	GRADE GS13
(10)	A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
(11)	N138N ACOM REHAB DIRECTOR FIELD SVCS	1	GRADE GS12
(12	N170N ACOM REHAB DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS12
(13)	E005C ACOM REHAB DIR OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING	1	GRADE GS10
(14)	G040C ACOM REHAB DIRECTOR - SPECIAL PROGRAMS	2	GRADE GS10
(15)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
(16)	E011C ACOM VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR	3	GRADE GS09
(17)	G070C ACOM DIRECTOR OF FIELD OPERATIONS	1	GRADE GS09
(18)	L033C PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER	11	GRADE GS09
(19)	L037C ACOM REHAB AREA MANAGER	13	GRADE GS09
(20)	X038C QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER	3	GRADE GS09
(21)	E023C TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
(22)	G121C REHAB PROGRAM MANAGER	8	GRADE GS08
(23)	L098C CERTIFIED VOCATIONAL REHAB COUNSELOR	97	GRADE GS08
(24)	S004C MAINTENANCE MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
(25)	X062C QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR	4	GRADE GS08
(26)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
(27)	G163C ACOM REHAB PROGRAM COORDINATOR	7	GRADE GS07
(28)	L057C ACOM REHAB SVS FACILITY SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS07
(29)	M032C ACOM VOCATIONAL REHAB PLACEMENT SPEC	14	GRADE GS07
(30)	S017C MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(31)	B076C RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(32)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(33)	E043C CERTIFIED VOCATIONAL TEACHER	17	GRADE GS06
(34)	M050C INTERPRETER	4	GRADE GS06
(35)	S022C SKILLED TRADES SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
(36)	S033C MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
(37)	T062C PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS06
(38)	C022C BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05

(39)	C036C ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ANALYST	1	GRADE GS05
(40)	E049C VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE GS05
(41)	G215C CAREER PLANNING & PLACEMENT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
(42)	M061C ACOM VOCATIONAL REHAB EVALUATOR	1	GRADE GS05
(43)	S031C SKILLED TRADESMAN	2	GRADE GS05
(44)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS04
(45)	C043C RECORDS MANAGEMENT ANALYST	2	GRADE GS04
(46)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	9	GRADE GS04
(47)	R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
(48)	S099C STATIONARY ENGINEER	1	GRADE GS04
(49)	V020C INVENTORY CONTROL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS04
(50)	V022C PURCHASING TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE GS04
(51)	V023C STOREROOM SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS04
(52)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	64	GRADE GS03
(53)	M081C RESIDENTIAL CARE SHIFT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS03
(54)	S056C FOOD PREPARATION SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS03
(55)	C087C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	4	GRADE GS02
(56)	M076C RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	1	GRADE GS02
(57)	M083C RESIDENTIAL CARE TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE GS02
(58)	S068C FOOD PREPARATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS02
(59)	S087C INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES ASSISTANT	1	GRADE GS01
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	316	

SECTION 19. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: nineteen (19) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS REHABILITATION SERVICES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid and purchase of services by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$15,426,131
(02) EXTRA HELP	252,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	6,020,174
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	7,401,096
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	175,000
(C) PROF. FEES	844,903
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) GRANTS AND AID/PURCHASE OF SERVICES	30,000,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$60,119,304

SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - INCREASING CAPABILITIES ACCESS NETWORK - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services - Increasing Capabilities Access Network - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$200,707
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	77,783
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	400,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	20,402
(C) PROF. FEES	20,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$818,892

SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - STATEWIDE DISABILITY TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the Telecommunications

Equipment Fund, for personal services and operating expenses and grants of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services - Statewide Disability Telecommunications Equipment Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	$173,203
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	71,465
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	80,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	7,000
(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) ASSISTIVE EQUIPMENT PURCHASE GRANTS	310,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$646,668

SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM - SPECIAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the Governor's Commission on People with Disabilities Fund, for operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services - People with Disabilities Program - Special for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	$30,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$30,000

SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for providing loans to individuals with disabilities for essential assistive technology, adaptive equipment, and for loan administration/servicing by the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services - Technology Equipment Revolving Loan Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	LOANS	$750,000

SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - CASH OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services - Cash Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	$356,542
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
	(C) PROF. FEES	0
	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
	(E) DATA PROC.	0
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$356,542

SECTION 26. REGULAR SALARIES - DIVISION OF STATE SERVICES FOR THE BLIND. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Division of State Services for the Blind for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	N125N	ACOM DSB DEP DIR SVCS FOR THE BLIND	1	GRADE GS15
(2)	G021C	ACOM DSB ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS11
(3)	G303C	ACOM DSB PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE GS09
(4)	L037C	ACOM REHAB AREA MANAGER	3	GRADE GS09
(5)	X038C	QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(6)	E023C	TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
(7)	G121C	REHAB PROGRAM MANAGER	4	GRADE GS08
(8)	L098C	CERTIFIED VOCATIONAL REHAB COUNSELOR	23	GRADE GS08
(9)	X062C	QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
(10)	E040C	STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(11)	G163C	ACOM REHAB PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07

(12)	M032C ACOM VOCATIONAL REHAB PLACEMENT SPEC	1	GRADE GS07
(13)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	5	GRADE GS06
(14)	E039C ACOM DSB TEACHER FOR THE BLIND	1	GRADE GS06
(15)	L051C REHABILITATION COUNSELOR	2	GRADE GS06
(16)	C043C RECORDS MANAGEMENT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS04
(17)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	8	GRADE GS04
(18)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	11	GRADE GS03
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	69	

SECTION 27. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Division of State Services for the Blind for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: thirty (30) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - STATE SERVICES FOR THE BLIND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Division of State Services for the Blind for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	$3,178,053
(02)	EXTRA HELP	384,174
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,298,366
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,222,186
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	155,000
	(C) PROF. FEES	195,259
	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
	(E) DATA PROC.	0
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$6,533,038

SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - BLIND SERVICES GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants and aid and purchase of services by the Department of Commerce - Division of

Workforce Services - Blind Services Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	GRANTS AND AID/PURCHASE OF SERVICES	$6,000,000

SECTION 30. REGULAR SALARIES - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES - WORKFORCE POLICY & INNOVATION. There is hereby established for the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Workforce Policy & Innovation for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	U037U	ACOM DWS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE03
(2)	N049N	ACOM DWS ASST DIR, INFO AND TECH	1	GRADE GS13
(3)	G110C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(4)	G288C	ACOM DWS DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(5)	G127C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANAGER	2	GRADE GS08
(6)	G149C	ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER I	1	GRADE GS07
(7)	G181C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM MONITOR	5	GRADE GS07
(8)	G209C	ACOM DWS PROGRAM SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE GS07
(9)	B076C	RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(10)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
		MAX NO OF EMPLOYEES	18	

SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES - WORKFORCE POLICY & INNOVATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Commerce, to be payable from the Division of Workforce Services Trust Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services - Workforce Policy & Innovation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	$1,285,000
(02)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	428,792
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	250,000

(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
(C) PROF. FEES	15,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$1,993,792"

and

Page 15, immediately following SECTION 23, insert the following new SECTIONS:

" SECTION 24. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD - ARKANSAS REHABILITATION SERVICES. Any balance in the funds made available by this Act for the Arkansas Rehabilitation Services which remain on June 30, 2026, may be carried forward into the next fiscal year, to be used for the same purpose.

Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

(1) Prior to June 30, 2026 the Agency shall by written statement set forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

(2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward, the program name or line item, the funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set forth in (1) above;

(3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30) days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget Committee; and

(4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

SECTION 25. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD - DIVISION OF STATE SERVICES FOR THE BLIND. Any balance in the funds made available by this Act for the Division of State Services for the Blind which remain on June 30, 2026, may be carried forward into the next fiscal year, to be used for the same purpose.

Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

(1) Prior to June 30, 2026 the Agency shall by written statement set forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

(2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward, the program name or line item, the funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set forth in (1) above;

(3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30) days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget Committee; and

(4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026."

and

Appropriately renumber all the SECTION numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 39 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 88 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 88

JBC 04/02/25 (2.b.)

Amend Senate Bill No.88 as engrossed S3/17/25:

Page 3, line 16, delete "SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT"

AND

Page 4, line 24, delete "1,400,000" and substitute "4,400,000"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 30-31 in their entirety and substitute the following:

" (07) ARKANSAS HEROES SCHOLARSHIP 5,500,000"

AND

Appropriately renumber all item numbers in SECTION 6

AND

Page 5, line 4, delete "$68,550,000" and substitute "$71,550,000"

AND

Page 12, line 30, delete "$4,555,985" and substitute "$7,437,405"

AND

Page 19, line 6, delete "SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT" and substitute "~~SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT~~"

AND

Page 19, line 11, delete "Scholarship and Grant" and substitute "~~Scholarship and Grant~~"

AND

Page 19, line 13, delete "scholarships and grants" and substitute "~~scholarships and grants~~ programs and initiatives".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 88 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 359 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 359

JBC 04/02/25 (2.e.)

Amend Senate Bill No. 359 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 1, delete " $1,700,000" and substitute " $3,900,000".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 359 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 36 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 36

JBC 04/02/25 (2a)

Amend Senate Bill No. 36 as engrossed S3/17/25:

On page 9, immediately following Section 13, insert the following:

" SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - FIGHT SENIOR HUNGER COMMUNITY GRANT MATCH PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grant match payments of the Department of Human Services - Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	FIGHT SENIOR HUNGER GRANT MATCH	$400,000"

AND

On page 16, immediately following Section 21, insert the following:

" SECTION 22. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code Title 20, Subtitle 5, Chapter 76, is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter 9 — Fight Senior Hunger Community Grant Match Program

20-76-901. Fight Senior Hunger Community Grant Match Program — Creation — Definitions.

(a) There is created a grant program to be known as the "Fight Senior

Hunger Community Grant Match Program" to incentivize Arkansas counties, cities, and nonprofit organizations to help fight senior hunger in their respective communities.

(b) The Department of Human Services is authorized to award a grant to a county, city, or nonprofit organization from funds provided if:

(1) The county, city, or nonprofit organization develops a written plan for providing meals or food to senior citizens in its community and submits the written plan to the Department of Human Services - Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services for approval; and

(2) The members of the county quorum court, city council, or nonprofit organization submits proof that, through either donations of money or property in kind, citizens of the county or city, or persons associated with the nonprofit organization, have pledged or will make available no less than one-half (1/2) of the cost of the program.

(c)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (c)(2) of this section, upon the Department of Human Services - Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services approval of compliance required by subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the department may approve a state grant to be used for the benefit of the county, city, or nonprofit organization program in an amount that equals up to one-half (1/2) of the estimated program cost.

(2) The state's share of the county, city, or nonprofit organization program shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars ($20,000).

(d) As used in this section:

(1) "Nonprofit organization" means an organization formed under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as it existed on January 1, 2025; and

(2) "Property in kind" is limited to kitchen and dining space operational costs that would be associated with the county, city, or nonprofit organization's program.

20-76-902. Reporting.

Each Area Agency on Aging shall report on its active programs and expenditures to address senior food insecurity under this subchapter to the:

(1) House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs at least one (1) time each year and during a legislative session; and

(2) Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth at least one (1) time each year during a legislative interim."

AND

Appropriately renumber the section numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 36 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 92 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 92

JBC 04/02/25 (6)

Amend Senate Bill No. 92 as engrossed S3/31/25:

Page 18, immediately following SECTION 28, insert new SECTIONS to read as follows:

" SECTION 29. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK. There is hereby established for the Department of Transformation and Shared Services - Office of Property Risk for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	G351C	OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE02
(2)	D044C	SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
(3)	G352C	OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK FINANCIAL DIR	1	GRADE GS14
(4)	G047C	ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
(5)	G120C	RISK CONSULTANT	2	GRADE GS07
(6)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
(7)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
(8)	C046C	LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	10	

SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Transformation

and Shared Services, to be payable from the State Captive Insurance Program Trust Fund, for personal services, operating expenses, and claims of the Department of Transformation and Shared Services - Office of Property Risk for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	$747,496
(02)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	298,998
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	80,750,000
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	12,000
	(C) PROF. FEES	3,000,000
	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
	(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04)	CLAIMS	50,000,000
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	$134,908,494

SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK - RESERVE SUB-FUND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Transformation and Shared Services, to be payable from the State Captive Insurance Program Trust Fund, for investments of the Department of Transformation and Shared Services - Office of Property Risk for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	INVESTMENTS	$75,000,000"

AND

Appropriately renumber all subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 92 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 362 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 362

JBC 04/02/25 (2.f.)

Amend Senate Bill No.362 as originally introduced:

Pages 1-2, delete SECTIONS 1 - 2 in their entirety and substitute the following:

" SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - YOUTH ORGANIZATION GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants to youth organizations by the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01)	YOUTH ORGANIZATION GRANTS	$4,000,000

SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. YOUTH ORGANIZATION GRANT REQUIREMENTS.

(a) A grant authorized by this act shall be awarded to a youth organization that does not compel or require a person to adopt, affirm, or profess an idea in violation of Title IV and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. No. 88-352 in accordance with any local or national organization requirement that:

(1) Compels a person to adopt, affirm, or profess an idea in violation of Title IV and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. No. 88-352, as it existed on January 1, 2025, including that:

(A) People of one color, creed, race, ethnicity, sex, age, marital status, familial status, disability status, religion, national origin, or any other characteristic protected by federal or state law are inherently superior or inferior to people of another color, creed, race, ethnicity, sex, age, marital status, familial status, disability status, religion, national origin, or any other characteristic protected by federal or state law; or

(B) An individual should be discriminated against or receive adverse treatment solely or partly because of the individual's color, creed, race,

ethnicity, sex, age, marital status, familial status, disability status, religion, national origin, or any other characteristic protected by federal or state law; or

(2) Requires a person or youth organization to adopt, affirm, or profess an idea based on a diversity, equity, and inclusion initiative, which includes:

(A) An office, division, department, administrator, or person associated with a youth organization that has the purpose of:

(i) Influencing administrative, hiring, or employment practices at a youth organization;

(ii) Promoting:

(a) Preferences based on race, color, sex, ethnicity, or national origin;

(b) Differential treatment on the basis of race, color, sex, ethnicity, or national origin; or

(c) Political or social activism to consider race, color, sex, ethnicity, or national origin as factors in decision-making, except when required by federal or state law; or

(iii) Any promotion described under subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii) of this section that conflicts with state and federal antidiscrimination laws;

(B) Any program, activity, applicant statement, or training that promotes an activity described in subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii) of this section;

(C) The distribution of literature, materials, or other information that promotes an activity described in subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii) of this section;

(D) The exposure to or distribution of materials through a virtual platform that promote an activity described in subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii) of this section or that violate Title IV or Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. No. 88-352; or

(E) Soliciting an individual, either in person or through a virtual platform, to subscribe to or otherwise adhere to an activity described in subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii) of this section or that violates Title IV or Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. No. 88-352.

(b) To be eligible for a grant authorized by this act, a youth organization that is affiliated with a national organization shall submit an official memorandum of understanding between the youth organization and national organization that acknowledges the youth organization's intent to comply with this act.

(c) A grant authorized by this act shall be provided to a youth organization that aligns with the educational goals of the Governor and General Assembly.

(d) A youth organization eligible for a grant under this act shall promote the fundamental values of a healthy home environment and engage youth to become role models in their homes, hometowns, schools, state, nation, and the world.

(e) Funding shall be made available only to eligible entities for comprehensive out-of-school time programs for school-aged children.

(f) To be eligible for a grant under this act, a youth organization shall:

(1) Provide out-of-school time programs during the school year to school-aged children;

(2) Provide regular activities designed for evidence-based academic

enhancement that aligns with and supports state curriculum standards and includes at least two (2) of the following five (5) activity areas:

(A) STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math);

(B) Academic support;

(C) Goal setting and leadership activities;

(D) Career exposure and workforce readiness; and

(E) Community service opportunities.

(3) Provide activities under subdivision (f)(2) as part of a comprehensive out-of-school program;

(4) Operate for a minimum of the following, which shall not include designated school breaks:

(A) Twelve (12) hours each week during the school year; and

(B) Four (4) days each week during the school year;

(5) Collect data on participants' demographics, attendance, and program participation, and compile statewide aggregated data;

(6) Implement rigorous safety standards, including without limitation employee background checks and maintaining compliance with mandated reporting laws; and

(7)(A) Be a qualified 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) organization that has been in operation for more than five (5) years and has a record of fiscal accountability.

(B) A youth organization shall provide a sustainability model demonstrating a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of funding derived from non-state resources.

(C) If a youth organization has operated for five (5) years or less, the youth organization may provide a financial plan and have a Certificate of Good Standing from the Secretary of State to be approved by the Department of Education.

(g)Youth Organizations holding a charter of five years or less shall be eligible for a matching grant share of seventy-five (75%) using the funds appropriated in this Act once certification that a twenty-five (25%) local investment is made for the program.

(h)Youth Organizations holding a charter of greater than 5 years shall be eligible for a matching grant share of fifty (50%) using the funds appropriated in this Act once certification that a fifty (50%) local investment is made for the program.

(i) If at any time it is determined by the department that a youth organization has not followed requirements established by this section, the youth organization shall not be eligible for any future grants.

(j) The Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall promulgate rules for the determination of eligible youth organizations, the disbursement of funds, and the ongoing administration of this program in accordance with the requirements of this section.

(k) The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.".

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 362 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 354 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 354
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 354 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

A Pair was announced at the desk.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 3, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE BILL NO.354

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Murdock, Payton, Scott.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 354, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love, Murdock, Payton, Scott.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

SENATE BILL NO. 93

SENATE BILL NO. 128

SENATE BILL NO. 130

SENATE BILL NO. 332

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 93 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 93

As Engrossed: S3/10/25 S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 93 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 93, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 93 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 128 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 128

As Engrossed: S3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 128 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 128, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 128 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 130 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 130

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 130 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 130, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 130 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 332 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 332

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS AND EXPENSES OF THE SEXUAL RISK AVOIDANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 332 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 332, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 332 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam. President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1821, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
BY: SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR MISSY IRVIN
SENATOR MATT MCKEE
SENATOR MARK JOHNSON
SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 606, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 606 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1845, BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB,
BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1845 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 619
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WALKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF AN ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO ESTABLISH THE MEMBERSHIP OF AN ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; TO CREATE A FUNDING MECHANISM FOR A NEWLY FORMED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO DIRECT OWNERSHIP OF FACILITIES AND PROPERTY OF ISOLATED SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 619 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 620
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SAFETY VALVE FOR A MINOR DEFENDANT WHO IS ALSO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO AMEND THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT OF 2013; TO CREATE AN APPEAL RIGHT FOR A MINOR DEFENDANT WHO IS ALSO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 620 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 621
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TEMPORARY HOSPITAL FACILITY ACT; TO RETROACTIVELY APPLY TO A HEALTHCARE CONTRACT FOR THE BENEFIT OF A TEMPORARY HOSPITAL FACILITY; TO CLARIFY ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS AGAINST A HEALTHCARE INSURER; TO REQUIRE A HEALTHCARE INSURER TO REIMBURSE A TEMPORARY HOSPITAL FACILITY; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 621 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 2:49 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

Senator Penzo moved to extract Senate Bill No. 2 from the PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR COMMITTEE.

Senator Irvin spoke against the motion.
Senator King spoke for the motion.
Senator B. Johnson spoke on the motion.
Senator Clark spoke for the motion.
Senator Tucker spoke against the motion.
Senator Payton spoke for the motion.
Senator M. Johnson spoke for on motion.
Senator Penzo closed for the motion.

By voice vote, the motion carried.

A roll call was requested. Five hands were seen.

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hill, Johnson, M., King, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total.....19

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dismang, English, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Leding, Love, Scott, Stone, Tucker.

Total.....12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total.....0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total.....2

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Johnson, B.

Total.....2

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the motion 18

The motion caried.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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April 3, 2025

Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol Building, Room 320
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

This letter serves as written notification that I was recorded incorrectly on the vote to extract Senate Bill No. 2 from Public Health, Welfare and Labor Committee. I should have been recorded as a NO vote on the extraction of Senate Bill No. 2 from committee. Please file this letter in the official Senate Journal of the Regular Session 95th General Assembly.

Sincerely,

Ben Gilmore
State Senator
District 1

GS/ac

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 157 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 157

As Engrossed: S3/31/25 S4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PERRY, WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BENEFITS UNDER THE *ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 157 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 157. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: McKee.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 157 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 290 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 290
As Engrossed: S3/31/25 S4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS IN WATERSHEDS AND OTHER BODIES OF WATER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 290 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., King, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Dismang, Gilmore, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, C. Penzo, Scott, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Murdock.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Irvin.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 290 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 408 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 408

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN INCOME TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN PAYMENTS BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 408 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 408. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 408 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 444 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 444

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAL ETHICS AND DIVERSITY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 444 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 444. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 444 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 484 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 484

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF *DIRECTORS; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS WHEREBY A VACANCY IS FILLED ON A SCHOOL DISTRICT* BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 484 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 484.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 484 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 494 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 494

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMITS AND ANNUAL PRIVILEGE FEES UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; TO REDUCE THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF PERMITS ISSUED BY ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL; TO CONSOLIDATE SEVERAL PERMITS INTO A SINGLE PERMIT UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 494 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 494. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 494 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 495 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 495
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND DEFINITIONS USED UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "INVOICE" AND THE DEFINITION OF "INVOICE PRICE" USED UNDER THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX ACT OF 1977; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 495 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 495. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 495 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 504 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 504
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS RURAL PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 504 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 504.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 504 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 507 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 507
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, D. GARNER, ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO COVER APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS SERVICES FOR CERTAIN BENEFICIARIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 507 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin spoke on the bill.
Senator Leding closed for the bill

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 507. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.
Total 30

NEGATIVE: Hickey.
Total 1
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:
Total 0
EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.
Total 2
VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, McKee.
Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 507 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 520 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 520
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION OFFICES, OFFICERS, POLICIES, OR PRACTICES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Sullivan requested Senate Bill No. 520 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 520 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 525 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 525

As Engrossed: S4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCORPORATION AND ORGANIZATION OF MUNICIPALITIES; TO TRANSFER INCORPORATION DUTIES TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 525 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 525. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Love, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Clark, Davis, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.525 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 529 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 529
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE INDEPENDENT TAX APPEALS COMMISSION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 529 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 529. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 529 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 530 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 530

As Engrossed S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, *J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HESTER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BECK, *ACHOR, ET AL*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WOOD ENERGY PRODUCTS AND FOREST MAINTENANCE INCOME TAX CREDIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 530 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 530. Motion caried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 530 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 533 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 533

As Engrossed: S4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR DEES

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS BY THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL BOARD; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS LAW TO ALLOW THE REGULATION AND PURCHASE OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS; TO ESTABLISH A DIRECTORY FOR CONSUMABLE HEMP MANUFACTURERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 533 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 533. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 26

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, Leding, McKee, C. Penzo, Tucker.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 533 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 546 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 546
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION FEE FOR WATER PERMITS RELATED TO NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 546 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 546. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 546 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 551 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 551
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CANVASSING FOR A PETITION FOR A LOCAL OPTION ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 551 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone.
Total 18

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Hickey, Irvin, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Tucker.
Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Johnson, M., King, Stubblefield, Sullivan.
Total 6

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.
Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:
Total 0

Total number of votes cast 27
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 551 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 552 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 552
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF 1987; TO AMEND THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF "PRINCIPAL OFFICE" USED UNDER THE ARKANSAS BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF 1987 AND THE UNIFORM LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 552 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 552. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 552 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 553 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 553
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING LAW; TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF A MUNICIPAL TREASURER; TO REQUIRE TRAINING FOR AN INDIVIDUAL CHARGED WITH DUTIES UNDER THE ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 553 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 553. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 553 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 554 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 554
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 554 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bil No. 554. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: McKee.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 554 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 555 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 555
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, HUDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF VIDEO VOYEURISM; TO EXTEND THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR THE OFFENSE OF VIDEO VOYEURISM; TO MAKE AN ORDER OF PROTECTION AVAILABLE TO A VICTIM OF VIDEO VOYEURISM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 555 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 555. Motion caried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 555 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 559 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 559
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MILITARY CHILD SCHOOL TRANSITIONS ACT OF 2021; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING ADVANCE ENROLLMENT OF A STUDENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS MILITARY CHILD SCHOOL TRANSITIONS ACT OF 2021; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 559 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 559. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 559 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 560 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 560

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DECREASE THE BASE CONTRIBUTION RATE; TO INCREASE THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT RATE; TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE SKILLED WORKFORCE IN THIS STATE; TO AMEND THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES TRAINING TRUST FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 560 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 560. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 560 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dotson, Senate Bill No. 572 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 572
As Engrossed: S4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCESS AND TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO REQUIRE PUBLIC ACCESS TO LEARNING MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 572 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 572. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.
Total 26

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 572 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 584 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 584

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LOCAL INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 584 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 584. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 584 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 590 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 590 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 590

Amend Senate Bill No. 590 as originally introduced:

Page 11, line 24, delete "Legislative Council a plan to implement" and substitute "Legislative council a feasibility study to implement"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 590 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1840 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1840 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1840

Amend House Bill 1840 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1840 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1454 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1454 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1454

Amend House Bill 1454 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1454 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 574 at this time.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 574 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 574

Amend Senate Bill No. 574 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Puryear

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 574 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 324 at this time.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 324 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 324. Motion carried.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 324

Amend Senate Bill No. 324 as engrossed S3/5/25:

Add Representative Brooks

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 324 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 324 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF A COUNTY PLANNING BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of motion to amend 18

So, the amendment passed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 324 was ordered enrolled

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 25, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 37, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 39, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 88, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 359, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

SENATE BILL NO. 36, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 92, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 362, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 36 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 92 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 362 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 451, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 451 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1889, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT
SENATOR GREG LEDING
SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG
SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

SENATE BILL NO. 622
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE PROHIBITION ON A TIRE RETAILER FROM CHARGING OTHER FEES TO A PERSON WHO PURCHASES THE SERVICE OF REMOVAL OF A TIRE FROM A RIM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 622 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 623
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE TREATMENT OF FEMALE INMATES AND DETAINEES IN CORRECTIONAL OR DETENTION FACILITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE TREATMENT OF AN INMATE OR DETAINEE WHO IS PREGNANT OR HAS RECENTLY DELIVERED A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 623 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 624
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; TO ALLOW A STUDENT TO TRANSFER TO ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL WITHIN HIS OR HER RESIDENT DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 624 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 4:36 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 590, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 590 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1840, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1840 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1193 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193
As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/30/25 S3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO INCLUDE A LIENHOLDER ON PAYMENTS MADE UNDER AN INSURANCE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator B. Johnson requested House Bill No. 1193 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1300 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1300

As Engrossed: H2/20/25 H3/3/25 H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "PRIOR AUTHORIZATION" UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO CLARIFY DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES BY A UTILIZATION REVIEW ENTITY UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HEALTHCARE SERVICES FROM PRIOR AUTHORIZATION; TO CLARIFY THE DURATION OF APPROVED PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUESTS; TO CREATE A PROCESS FOR REVIEW OR APPROVAL OF A HEALTHCARE SERVICE UPON FAILURE OF A UTILIZATION REVIEW ENTITY TO COMPLY WITH THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1300 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1300. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1300 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin , House Bill No. 1301 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1301

As Engrossed: H2/5/25 H2/20/25 H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1301 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1301. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1301 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1455 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1455
As Engrossed: H3/4/25 H3/12/25 H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING PRIVATE *CLUBS;* TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PRIVATE CLUBS TO PURCHASE CERTAIN PRODUCTS DIRECTLY FROM A SMALL BREWERY PERMIT !HOLDER UNDER AN EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT^; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1455 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1455. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Dees, Dotson, Love, Stubblefield.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, Petty, Rice.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1455 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1467 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1467
As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR, *MCCOLLUM*
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM MONEY SERVICES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Boyd requested House Bill No. 1467 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1468 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1468
As Engrossed: H3/17/25 S4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES COZART, HAWK
BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CLAIMS *HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS, RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS, AND SUPPLIERS* CONSTRUCTION DEFECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1468 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1468. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers, Wallace.

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1468 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 574, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1454, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1454 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1252 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1252 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1252

Amend House Bill No. 1252 as engrossed H2/13/25:

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1252 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1543 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1543 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1453

Amend House Bill 1543 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1543 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1784 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1784 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1784

Amend House Bill No. 1784 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1784 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1252, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1543, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1784, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1252 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1543 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1784 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE BILL NO. 625
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNT PROGRAM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 625 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 626
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HEALTHCARE PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT; TO REQUIRE FAIR AND TRANSPARENT REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR LICENSED AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS, OUTPATIENT PSYCHIATRIC CENTERS, AND OUTPATIENT IMAGING FACILITIES; TO ENSURE PARITY IN INSURANCE PAYMENTS FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES; TO AMEND THE BILLING IN THE BEST INTEREST OF PATIENTS ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 626 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 was returned from House as concurred in.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No.6 was ordered enrolled.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1055

As Engrossed: H1/30/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, RYE, BREAUX, SPRINGER

BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, F. LOVE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH COVERAGE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT TO SLOW THE PROGRESSION OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE OR OTHER DEMENTIA-RELATED DISEASE UNDER THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1055 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1077

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, *PAINTER, ENNETT, RICHMOND, NAZARENKO, TOSH*

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCARCERATION OF A VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; TO PROVIDE FOR NOTIFICATION TO THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OF THE INCARCERATION OF A VETERAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1077 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1090

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1090 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1091

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1091 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1095

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - STATE BANK DEPARTMENT AND STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1095 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1097
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1097 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1102
As Engrossed: H3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE TURNBACK FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1102 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1124

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1124 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1127

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1127 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1150

As Engrossed: H2/11/25 H3/18/25 H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, *ENNETT, WOOTEN, ACHOR, LUNDSTRUM, GRAMLICH, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, JOEY CARR, VAUGHT, ROSE, HAWK, LADYMAN, BENTLEY, J. MAYBERRY, DUFFIELD*

BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, *J. PETTY, CALDWELL, G. LEDING, C. TUCKER, M. JOHNSON, J. SCOTT, D. SULLIVAN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER FROM OBTAINING CERTAIN PHARMACY PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1150 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1152

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1152 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1176
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY - DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1176 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1336
As Engrossed: H3/31/25 H4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION AND BENEFIT PLANS OF THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT *SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE SURVIVORS' BENEFIT OPTIONS UNDER THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE TIER TWO DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN UNDER THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1336 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1389

As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR JONESBORO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT CENTER - PHASE 2 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1389 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1416

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FIRE* DEPARTMENTS; TO ALLOW A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICING UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY TO LEVY DUES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1416 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 627
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ASSIST THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING; TO REPEAL THE ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR AND AIR CONDITIONING ELECTRICIAN LICENSES; TO TRANSFER AND UPGRADE THE CLASS C HVACR LICENSE; TO IMPROVE THE LICENSING OF APPRENTICE ELECTRICIANS; TO HELP THE ELEVATOR OWNERS SATISFY TESTING REQUIREMENTS; TO CLARIFY ANNUAL LICENSING RENEWAL PERIODS; TO AID IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE'S ELECTRICIAN, HVACR, ELEVATOR, AND BOILER SAFETY LAWS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 627 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1365
As Engrossed: H4/1//25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE RACIAL AND GENDER QUOTAS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP FOR CERTAIN BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COUNCILS, AND COMMISSIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1365 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1615

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/12/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, ET AL

BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RELIGIOUS *NONDISCRIMINATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1615 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1639

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES - SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1639 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1657

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BECK, *ACHOR, ANDREWS, BARKER, BEATY JR., BENTLEY, S. BERRY, BREAUX, M. BROWN, JOEY CARR, CHILDRESS, CLOWNEY, C. COOPER, CRAWFORD, EATON, EAVES, EUBANKS, FURMAN, GAZAWAY, GRAMLICH, HALL, HAWK, HOLCOMB, HOLLOWELL, JEAN, MAGIE, MCCLURE, MCGRUDER, S. MEEKS, MILLIGAN, K. MOORE, PAINTER, PERRY, PILKINGTON, RICHMOND, RYE, SPRINGER, WARDLAW, WARREN, WOOTEN*

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, *J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HESTER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WOOD ENERGY PRODUCTS AND FOREST MAINTENANCE INCOME TAX CREDIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1657 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1680

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, ET AL

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OWNERSHIP OF REAL PROPERTY AND AGRICULTURAL LAND; TO PROHIBIT A FOREIGN-PARTY-CONTROLLED BUSINESS FROM LEASING AN INTEREST IN LAND; TO DEFINE "CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE" AS USED IN RELATION TO FOREIGN OWNERSHIP OF LAND; TO PROHIBIT A PROHIBITED FOREIGN PARTY FROM HOLDING AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY OR AGRICULTURAL LAND IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1680 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1730

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, *J. RICHARDSON*

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO *AMEND* THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE AND TRANSFER OF WHOLESALE PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1730 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1764

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A VIOLATION OF AN ORDER OF PROTECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1764 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1768

As Engrossed: H3/20/25 H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, UNGER

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL CONTRACT RELATING TO A HOST FEE TO BE VOTED ON AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF A HOST COMMUNITY IN WHICH THE LANDFILL IS LOCATED; TO REQUIRE RENEWAL OR RENEGOTIATION OF THE HOST FEE WITHIN A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1768 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1780

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RETENTION OF PROPERTY RELATED TO A FELONY INVESTIGATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1780 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1783

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CLOWNEY, PEARCE

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REDUCTION OF A CITY OF THE FIRST CLASS TO A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1783 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1786

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TUITION BENEFITS FOR SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD; TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY FOR A TUITION BENEFIT TO SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN ATTENDING CERTAIN PRIVATE TWO-YEAR AND FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1786 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1572

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 H3/31/25 H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LADYMAN, ET AL

BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, C. PENZO, GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY STUDY ON NEW NUCLEAR ENERGY GENERATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1572 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1800

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE; TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE BY *A REPRESENTATIVE OF A NON-UNITED STATES ENTITY*; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1800 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1827

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HUNTING HERITAGE PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1827 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1829

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DALBY, EVANS

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DOMESTIC ABUSE ACT OF 1991; TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE TESTIMONY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES IN A HEARING UNDER THE DOMESTIC ABUSE ACT OF 1991; TO AMEND REQUIREMENTS REGARDING SERVICE OF PLEADINGS OR FILINGS UNDER AN ORDER OF PROTECTION MATTER; TO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT FOR A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1829 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1847

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GAMBLING; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS RACING COMMISSION TO MAINTAIN A STATEWIDE SELF-EXCLUSION LIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1847 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1850
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, PERRY
SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICES; TO CLARIFY THE MINIMUM ALLOWABLE REIMBURSEMENT FOR GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1850 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1853
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, HAWK
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, J. DOTSON, HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGENCY RELATIONSHIP AND DUTIES RELATED TO REAL ESTATE LICENSES; TO CLARIFY THE OBLIGATIONS OF DUAL AGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1853 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1855
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT
BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE LAWS RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS; TO AMEND THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ADJUST FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARIES HAVING OVERLAPPING BOUNDARIES; TO AMEND THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO RECOMMEND CHANGES TO OTHER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1855 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1863
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, PERRY
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT MANAGER ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1863 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1875

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOSH, ET AL

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATORY PERIOD FOR THE USE OF AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1875 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1872

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FEES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED BY A COUNTY SHERIFF; TO ALLOW A COUNTY SHERIFF TO COLLECT FEES FOR ATTEMPTED SERVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1872 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1887
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PEARCE
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATEWIDE CHILD ABDUCTION RESPONSE TEAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1887 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1891
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING AS A CANDIDATE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A PREFIX IN FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE BY AN APPOINTEE TO A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE; TO ALLOW A PERSON FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OR JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS WHO IS SERVING IN THAT POSITION AS AN APPOINTEE TO USE THE TITLE OF THAT POSITION AS A PREFIX WHEN FILING AS A CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1891 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1898
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE DIVISIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO COMBINE THE EXISTING REGULATORY AND ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS RELATED TO TOBACCO, MEDICAL MARIJUANA, AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO CREATE THE REGULATORY DIVISION AND THE REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO COMBINE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION AND THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION INTO THE REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION; TO ALLOW FOR PERSONNEL OF THE REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO BE DESIGNATED AS AGENTS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1898 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1896
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE JUNK FEE ELIMINATING ACT OF 2025; ABOLISH THE INFORMATION NETWORK OF ARKANSAS; TO TRANSFER ANY REMAINING DUTIES OF THE INFORMATION NETWORK OF ARKANSAS TO THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1896 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1901
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PASSPORT FEES COLLECTED BY COUNTY PASSPORT ACCEPTANCE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1901 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1902
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled :AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE AND BOND; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A LOST, BURNED, OR DESTROYED CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1902 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1923
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TOURISM DEVELOPMENT ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NATURAL STATE INITIATIVE OPPORTUNITY ZONES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1923 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1927
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND A PROVISION OF ACTS 2025, NO. 408, CONCERNING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACTS 2025, NO. 408; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1927 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1928
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SOIL NUTRIENT APPLICATION AND POULTRY LITTER UTILIZATION ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DESIGNATED NUTRIENT APPLICATION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING POULTRY LITTER MANAGEMENT PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1928 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1934
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, B. MCKENZIE
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS FORWARD ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE ACT; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS FORWARD ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1934 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1942
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WITHIN RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1942 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 468, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1604, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1774, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1352, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1694, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1797, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No.1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

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AS CONCURRED IN

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

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AS PASSED

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1669 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1724 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1745 AS AMENDED NO. 1

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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EIGHTY-FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 7, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by the president.

The Secretary of the Senate, Ann Cornwell, called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Mark Johnson.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1290 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1290

Amend House Bill No. 1290 as engrossed H3/20/25:

Page 3, delete lines 24 through 27, and substitute the following:
"services, and other supports as clinically appropriate;

(D) Age-appropriate screenings or observations to"

AND

Page 4, delete line 9, and substitute the following:

"(3)(A) Except as provided in subdivisions (b)(3)(B) and (C) of this"

AND

Page 4, delete line 15, and substitute the following:
"on cost-sharing requirements for a mental health wellness examination.

(C) Cost-sharing is required for a health benefit plan issued by a healthcare insurer to a state entity under § 21-5-401 et seq."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1290 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1717 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 3 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1717

Amend House Bill No. 1717 as engrossed S4/2/25:

Page 2, line 28, delete "(B)" and substitute "(C)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 31 and 32, and substitute the following:
"application of the operator, including a processor;"

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete "(9)(A)(i)" and substitute "(9)(A)"

AND

Page 3, line 21, delete "(ii)(a)" and substitute "(i)"

AND

Page 3, line 24, delete "(b)" and substitute "(ii)"

AND

Page 5, line 11, delete "Only uses" and substitute "Uses"

AND

Page 5, line 12, delete "solely"

AND

Page 5, delete line 16, and substitute the following:
"complete the stated purpose and improve or enhance the users' experience of the service and then deletes the audio file when it is no longer reasonably needed and"

AND

Page 6, line 7, delete "; or" and substitute ";"

AND

Page 6, line 8, delete "(iv)" and substitute "(iii)"

AND

Page 6, line 10, delete ";" and substitute "; or"

AND

Page 6, line 11, delete "(iii)" and substitute "(iv)"

AND

Page 6, line 29, delete "(15)" and substitute "(16)"

AND

Page 7, line 21, delete "teen; or" and substitute "teen or parent of the child or teen; or"

AND

Page 8, line 28, delete "or"

AND

Page 8, line 29, delete ";" and substitute "; or"

AND

Page 8, line 30, delete "(i)" and substitute "(H)"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 32 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(3) Provide:"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 1 through 3, and substitute the following:

"(A) The opportunity to:"

AND

Page 9, line 14, delete "(C)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 18 through 20, and substitute the following:

"(4) Provide:"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 21 through 24

AND

Page 9, line 25, delete "(B)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 9, line 29, delete "(C)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 9, line 33, delete "(D)" and substitute "(C)"

AND

Page 11, line 32, delete "; and" and substitute ";"

AND

Page 11, line 36, delete ";" and substitute "; or"

AND

Page 12, line 5, delete "; or" and substitute "; and"

AND

Page 12, delete lines 6 through 10, and substitute the following:

"(C) Prohibit an operator from:

(i) Retaining a record of the deletion request and the minimum information necessary for the purposes of ensuring compliance with a request made under subsection (b) of this section;

(ii) Preventing, detecting, protecting against, or responding to a security incident, identity theft, fraud, or the reporting of a person responsible for a security incident, identity theft, or fraud;

(iii) Protecting the integrity or security of a website, online service, online application, or mobile application; or

(iv) Ensuring that the child or teen's personal information remains deleted."

AND

Page 12, line 17, delete "In" and substitute "(a) In"

AND

Page 12, delete line 27, and substitute the following:

"(4) Obtain other relief that the court finds appropriate.

(b)(1) The Attorney General shall have exclusive authority to enforce this subchapter.

(2) Nothing in this subchapter provides the basis for, or subjects an operator, processor, or person to a private right of action for a violation of this subchapter or any other law."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1717 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1735 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1735

Amend House Bill No. 1735 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1735 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1827 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1827

Amend House Bill No. 1827 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1827 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 121 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 121

Amend Senate Bill No. 121 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Long

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 121 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 122 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 122

Amend Senate Bill No. 122 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Long

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 122 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 217 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 217

Amend Senate Bill No. 217 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 28, delete "— Definitions"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 29 through 31

AND

Page 1, line 32, delete "(b)(1)"

AND

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"(1) If a waiver requested under this"

AND

Page 2, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"(2) If the waiver requested under"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 217 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 258 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 258

Amend Senate Bill No. 258 as engrossed S3/13/25:

Page 4, line 9, delete "characteristics." and substitute "characteristics that are used to identify a specific individual."

AND

Page 6, line 20, delete "(18) "Identified" means" and substitute "(18) "Identified or identifiable individual" means"

AND

Page 8, line 20, delete "sharing, disclosing," and substitute "exchange"

AND

Page 8, line 21, delete "or transferring"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 12 through 14, and substitute the following:
(v) A person's Social Security number, driver's"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 16 through 20, and substitute the following:
"(vi) A"

AND

Page 9, line 24, delete "(ix)" and substitute "(vii)"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 31 through 36

AND

Page 10, delete lines 1 through 5, and substitute the following:
"(34)(A) "Targeted advertising" means displaying to a consumer an"

AND

Page 10, line 20, delete "(36)" and substitute "(35)"

AND

Page 10, line 23, delete "(37)" and substitute "(36)"

AND

Page 11, delete lines 18 and 19, and substitute the following:
"institutions, or data subject to Title V, Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, 15 U.S.C. § 6801 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025;
(3) A covered entity or business associate governed by the privacy, security, and breach notification rules issued by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, 45"

AND

Page 13, line 28, delete "activity; or" and substitute "activity;"

AND

Page 13, delete line 29, and substitute the following:
"(24) Organizations such as the National Insurance Crime Bureau whose sole purpose is the detection, investigation, tracking, reporting, mitigating, or preventing fraudulent activity, or data that is processed or maintained for the sole purpose"

AND

Page 13, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"in any of those activities; or
(25) Personal data collected, processed, maintained, or disclosed by a national securities association, as defined in section 3(a)(26) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. § 78a et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2025, and the rules and implementing regulations promulgated thereunder."

AND

Page 14, delete lines 20 and 21, and substitute the following:
"activities, or any illegal activity, and preserve the integrity or security of systems and"

AND

Page 14, line 24, delete "(H)" and substitute "(G)"

AND

Page 15, line 1, delete "(I)" and substitute "(H)"

AND

Page 15, delete lines 8 through 13, and substitute the following:
"(b) This chapter may not restrict a controller's or processor's ability to"

AND

Page 18, line 14, delete "data." and substitute "data under § 4-120-201(b)(5)(A) and (B)."

AND

Page 19, line 25, delete "request." and substitute "request or rejecting the request."

AND

Page 20, delete line 23, and substitute the following:
"complaint.

4-120-206. Loyalty programs.

This subchapter does not require a controller to provide a product or a service that requires the personal data of a consumer that the controller does not collect or maintain or to prohibit a controller from offering a different price, rate, level, quality, or selection of goods or services to a consumer, including offering goods or services for no fee, if:

(1) The consumer has exercised the consumer's right to delete or opt out under § 4-120-201; or

(2) The offer is related to a consumer's voluntary participation in a bona fide loyalty, rewards, premium features, discounts, or club card program."

AND

Page 21, line 22, delete "provide" and substitute "disclose"

AND

Page 21, line 23, delete "or process" and substitute "or processing of personal data for the purpose of targeted advertising"

AND

Page 21, delete lines 26 through 36, and substitute the following:
"4-120-302. Processing sensitive data.
A person shall not process the sensitive data of a consumer"

AND

Page 22, delete lines 1 through 21

AND

Page 22, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"its consent mechanisms."

AND

Page 23, delete lines 30 through 36

AND

Page 24, delete line 1

AND

Page 24, delete lines 11 through 20, and substitute the following:
"Except as otherwise provided by this subchapter, a"

AND

Page 26, delete line 2, and substitute the following:
"reasonably comparable scope and effect.
(g) Data protection assessments shall apply to processing activities created or generated after the effective date of this act and are not retroactive."

AND

Page 29, delete lines 14 through 18, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This chapter is effective on and after July 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 258 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 262 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 262

Amend Senate Bill No. 262 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:

"becomes inactive or is voluntarily surrendered if:

(1) All medical services are provided only by individuals who are licensed; and

(2) His or her license was in good standing at the time the license became inactive or was voluntarily surrendered and not subject to a disciplinary action, suspension, or revocation."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 262 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 369 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 369

Amend Senate Bill No. 369 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Wing

AND

Page 1, line 13, delete "TO"

AND

Page 1, line 14, delete "DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO REPEAL THE COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT RECYCLING GRANTS; AND TO REPEAL THE COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC RECYCLING FUND."

AND

Delete SECTION 4 in its entirety

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 369 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 458 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 458

Amend Senate Bill No. 458 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Clowney as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Delete SECTION 1 in its entirety

AND

Page 3, delete lines 18 and 19, and substitute the following:

"(9) Written reports, ~~and other~~ materials, and any other information relating to the juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history, including without limitation exposure to adverse childhood experiences, childhood trauma, involvement in the child welfare or foster care systems, status as a victim of human trafficking, sexual abuse, or rape; and"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 20 through 25, and substitute the following:

"(10) Any other factors deemed relevant by the judge.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 9-27-503(c)(9), concerning a court's findings and consideration of written reports and materials relating to a juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history as a factor in deciding to designate a juvenile as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender, is amended to read as follows:

(9) Written reports, ~~and other~~ materials, and any other information relating to the juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history, including without limitation exposure to adverse childhood experiences, childhood trauma, involvement in the child welfare or foster care systems, status as a victim of human trafficking, sexual abuse, or rape; and"

AND

Page 3, line 31, delete "(a)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 9 through 12

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 458 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 468 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 468

Amend Senate Bill No. 468 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 33, delete "county clerk" and substitute "circuit clerk"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 468 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 492 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 492

Amend Senate Bill No. 492 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 27, delete "trail;" and substitute "trail; and"

AND

Page 2, line 28, delete "and"

AND

Page 2, delete line 29

AND

Page 3, line 14, delete "(7)" and substitute "(7)(A)"

AND

Page 3, line 15, delete "communications," and substitute "communications, including without limitation cable service and broadband service,"

AND

Page 3, delete line 16, and substitute the following:
"steam, or sewerage by means of a utility facility.

(B) "Utility" does not include a railway or railroad engaged in interstate commerce;"

AND

Page 3, line 26, delete "communications," and substitute "communications, including without limitation cable service and broadband service,"

AND

Page 4, line 16, delete "work order" and substitute "notice to proceed"

AND

Page 4, line 34, delete "monthly progress report" and substitute "progress report every two (2) months"

AND

Page 4, line 35, delete "relocation until" and substitute "relocation after a notice to proceed is issued under subdivision (c)(1) of this section until"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 8 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(d)(1) If a utility other than a municipal utility system fails to follow the process established in the utility accommodation rules or the relocation agreement to complete the relocation within the time period stated in the relocation agreement, the department may assess and collect a civil penalty from a utility other than a municipal utility system after:

(A) The department provides notice to the utility under subdivision (e)(2)(A) of this section; and

(B) The expiration of a thirty-day time period for the utility to comply with the requirements stated in the utility accommodation rules or the relocation agreement.

(2) The civil penalty authorized under subdivision (d)(1) of this section shall be five hundred dollars ($500) for each business day the utility fails to:

(A) Respond to the written notice to the utility of the need for the relocation located on the public transportation facility provided under subdivision (b)(2)(A)(i) of this section;

(B) Enter into negotiations for a relocation agreement between the department and the utility; or

(C)(i) Comply with a relocation agreement to which the utility is a party, including completing the work according to the schedule in the relocation agreement.

(ii) A civil penalty shall not be assessed under this subdivision (d)(2)(C) if the utility does not meet the agreed-upon schedule but meets the final relocation completion date in the relocation agreement.

(iii) A civil penalty may be assessed under this subdivision (d)(2)(C) if a utility fails to:

(a) Act in good faith to comply with the relocation agreement; or

(b) Request a reasonable modification of the

schedule.

(e)(1) A civil penalty shall not be assessed under subsection (d) for a delay that is the result of:

(A) An extraordinary event;

(B) Excavation that damages an underground utility facility for which:

(i) The owner of the utility facility was not provided notice of the intent to excavate; or

(ii) The utility facility was not located and marked properly under the Arkansas Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Act, § 14-271-101 et seq.; or

(C) A delay in acquiring right-of-way after a good faith effort by the utility to complete the acquisition of the right-of-way."

AND

Page 6, line 1, delete "(3)(A)" and substitute "(2)(A)"

AND

Page 6, line 6, delete "this subsection (e)" and substitute "subsection (d) of this section"

AND

Page 6, line 14, delete "(4)" and substitute "(3)"

AND

Page 6, line 17, delete "(5)" and substitute "(4)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 492 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 500 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 500

Amend Senate Bill No. 500 as originally introduced:

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 8, and substitute the following:

"(a) Upon written request of a levee district created by an act of the General Assembly, the taxes for the assessments levied by the levee district shall be:

(1) Extended on the tax books of the county against the taxable lands of the levee district from a certified list of assessments provided by the levee district to the county collector by December 15 of each year; and

(2) Collected by the county collector at the same time and in the same manner as other assessments and property taxes.

(b) Levee district collections shall be deposited with the county treasurer on a monthly basis by the county collector in accordance with § 21-6-310(a)(1).

(c)(1) The county treasurer shall properly receipt the funds and upon a proper certificate of distribution shall credit the funds to the levee district fund established on the books of the county.

(2) The county treasurer shall promptly remit the levee district assessments to the treasurer of the levee district."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 500 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 527 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 527

Amend Senate Bill No. 527 as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 5, delete "an organization that" and substitute "~~an~~ a hospital, federally qualified health center, or another organization that"

AND

Page 8, delete line 9, and substitute the following:
"requirements under the Arkansas Medicaid Program, including providing required information to demonstrate compliance; and"

AND

Page 8, delete line 33, and substitute the following:

"(4) Over fifty-nine (59) years of age.

(C)(i) An individual who is not exempt under subdivision (h)(2)(B) of this section and who refuses to cooperate and declines to make efforts to comply with the work requirements under this section shall have coverage under the Arkansas Health and Opportunity for Me Program suspended for the remainder of the plan year.

(ii) An individual who has coverage suspended under subdivision (h)(2)(C)(i) of this section may regain active coverage under the Arkansas Health and Opportunity for Me Program if he or she cooperates and demonstrates a clear intention to comply with the work requirements under this section.

(iii) The Department of Human Services shall not make monthly premium payments or advanced cost-sharing reduction payments to a health insurer during a period of suspended coverage of the individual under this subdivision (h)(2)(C)."

AND

Page 9, line 13, delete "ninety percent (90%)" and substitute "eighty-five percent (85%)"

AND

Page 9, line 16, delete "ninety percent (90%)" and substitute "eighty-five percent (85%)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 527 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 563 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 563

Amend Senate Bill No. 563 originally introduced:

Add Representative Cavenaugh

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 563 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 585 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 585

Amend Senate Bill No. 585 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Gonzales Worthen

(SIGNED) SENATOR GREG LEDING

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 585 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 596 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 596

Amend Senate Bill No. 596 as originally introduced:

Page 4, line 33, delete "or nuclear power to" and substitute "nuclear power, or a combination of equivalent fuels and technologies to"

AND

Page 6, line 23, delete "find that:" and substitute "find that the retirement is in the public interest, including without limitation evidence that:"

AND

Page 7, delete line 21 through 23, and substitute the following:

"(d)(1) Under the commission's report under § 23-18-1104, the commission shall prepare and submit an annual supplemental report to the Joint Committee on Energy no later than December 1 of each year in which the commission issues an order on an application under this subchapter.

(2) The annual supplemental report required under subdivision (d)(1) of this section"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT MCKEE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 596 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 599 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 599

Amend Senate Bill No. 599 as originally introduced:

Add Senator C. Penzo as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 599 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 600 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 600

Amend Senate Bill No. 600 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Gazaway as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, line 26, delete "Notwithstanding" and substitute "(a) Notwithstanding"

AND

Page 1, line 28, delete "property in" and substitute "property in Arkansas in"

AND

Page 1, delete line 32, and substitute the following:
"section is subject to the jurisdiction of this state.

(b) This section only applies to personal property if the personal property is used as a dwelling unit.

(c) As used in this section, "resident" means an individual only and does not include a corporate entity."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 600 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 602 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 602

Amend Senate Bill No. 602 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Wooldridge as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "to sue" and substitute "to use"

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 602 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 603 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 603

Amend Senate Bill No. 603 as originally introduced:

Add Representative L. Johnson

AND

Page 1, line 26, delete "direction" and substitute "recommendation"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 603 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 605 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 605

Amend Senate Bill No. 605 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Achor as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 605 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 615 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 615

Amend Senate Bill No. 615 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 4, delete "December 31, 2025" and substitute "March 1, 2026"

AND

Page 2, line 16, delete "and"

AND

Page 2, delete line 17, and substitute the following:

"(c) Minimum power protection; and
(d) Any necessary limit on capacity size; and"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 615 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1243 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1243

Amend House Bill No. 1243 as engrossed H3/18/25:

Page 1, line 33, delete "county" and substitute "Secretary of State"

AND

Page 1, line 34, delete "clerk"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 11 through 21, and substitute the following:

"(iv) The monthly report shall be filed no later than twenty (20) days after the end of each month, except that the final report shall be filed as required in subdivision (a)(1)(C)(i) of this section;"

AND

Page 3, line 35, delete "the last day of the month" and substitute "twenty (20) days"

AND

Page 3, line 36, delete "the month" and substitute "the month following the month"

AND

Page 4, line 15, delete "county clerk" and substitute "Secretary of State"

AND

Page 4, line 27, delete "county" and substitute "Secretary of State"

AND

Page 4, line 28, delete "clerk"

AND

Page 5, line 24, delete "county clerk" and substitute "Secretary of State"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 1 through 11, and substitute the following:

"(iv) The monthly report shall be filed no later than twenty (20) days after the end of each month, except that the final report shall be filed as required in subdivision (a)(1)(C)(i) of this section;"

AND

Page 7, line 24, delete "the last day of the month" and substitute "twenty (20) days"

AND

Page 7, line 25, delete "the month" and substitute "the month following the month"

AND

Page 8, line 3, delete "county clerk" and substitute "Secretary of State"

AND

Page 8, line 15, delete "county clerk" and substitute "Secretary of State"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1243 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1352 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1352

Amend House Bill No. 1352 as engrossed H3/5/25:

Page 6, line 31, delete "and" and substitute "or"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1352 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1429 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1429

Amend House Bill No. 1429 as engrossed H3/4/25:

Page 2, line 1, delete "(3)" and substitute "(3)(A)"

AND

Page 2, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"(a)(2) of this section.

(B) A patient shall sign a waiver acknowledging that a diagnostic evaluation performed via telemedicine or remotely may have limitations compared to an in-person diagnostic evaluation.

(C) The results of the diagnostic evaluation shall be provided to the patient before the patient leaves the facility after the completion of the diagnostic evaluation."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1429 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1531 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1531

Amend House Bill No. 1531 as engrossed H3/31/25:

Page 3, line 22, delete "access with at" and substitute "access and allowing for upon request or application by pharmacy at"

AND

Page 3, line 26, delete "state; and" and substitute "state;"

AND

Page 3, delete line 30, and substitute the following:
"medications; and

(iv) The pharmacy meeting medication specific United States Food and Drug Administration guidance or requirements for:

(a) Proper and safe storage, handling, monitoring, and drug delivery;

(b) Patient or medication data collection, monitoring, or reporting; and

(c) Patient management services."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 12 and 13, and substitute the following:
"used;

(v) The rarity of the disease or condition; and

(vi) Any other factors unique or relevant to the medication and disease or condition treated."

AND

Page 4, line 15, delete "this state to" and substitute "this state, upon request or application, to"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1531 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1602 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1602

Amend House Bill No. 1602 as engrossed H3/13/25:

Page 3, delete line 17, and substitute the following:
"are required annually.

(C) The commissioner may reduce the initial application fee under subdivision (c)(1) of this section or renewal application fee under subdivision (c)(2) of this section for a pharmacy benefits manager if the initial application fee or renewal application fee would constitute a financial hardship that would prevent a pharmacy benefits manager from doing business in this state or competing in the marketplace considering the limited number of Arkansas patients impacted or the limited type of pharmacy benefits manager services offered."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 9 through 14, and substitute the following:

"(f)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (f)(2) of this section, the information or data acquired during an examination under this section is:

(A) Considered nonproprietary and confidential under § 23-61-107(a)(4) and § 23-61-207; and

(B) Not subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.

(2) Information and data reported under this section shall not be subject to subdivision (f)(1) of this section if the information and data is available or shared by the commissioner:

(A) In a password-protected online database; or

(B) On request of:

(i) An Arkansas-licensed pharmacist or Arkansas-licensed pharmacy; or

(ii) The contracted pharmacy services administrative organization of the Arkansas-licensed pharmacist or Arkansas-licensed pharmacy."

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1602 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1694 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1694

Amend House Bill No. 1694 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 19, and substitute the following:
"format.

(c)(1) In the event of an emergency, the Secretary of State shall allow a candidate to email, fax, or deliver a paper copy of his or her campaign contribution and expenditure report to meet the deadline requirements under § 7-6-207.

(2) A candidate submitting a paper copy of a campaign contribution and expenditure report under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall upload the report electronically to the Secretary of State within ten (10) days of submitting the paper copy."

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1694 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1701 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1701

Amend House Bill No. 1701 as engrossed H3/20/25:

Page 2, line 17, delete "or the Division of Environmental Quality"

AND

Page 2, line 21, delete "the division or"

AND

Page 5, line 4, delete "the division" and substitute "the Division of Environmental Quality"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 29 through 32, and substitute the following:
"improvement plan; or

(3) Transfer assets to another entity."

AND

Page 6, line 11, delete "or the Division of Environmental Quality, as applicable"

AND

Page 6, line 24, delete "Arkansas Natural Resources Commission" and substitute "Division of Environmental Quality"

AND

Page 7, line 30, delete "or"

AND

Page 7, delete line 34, and substitute the following:
"compliance with federal law; or

(6) An individual homeowner."

AND

Page 8, line 1, delete "Division of Environmental Quality and the"

AND

Page 8, line 2, delete "subchapter, as" and substitute "subchapter."

AND

Page 8, delete line 3

AND

Page 8, line 7, delete "Division of Environmental Quality or the"

AND

Page 8, line 13, delete "division or the"

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1701 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1797 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1797

Amend House Bill No. 1797 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 16 through 18, and substitute the following:
"AUTHORITY FROM CERTAIN STATE REGULATIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 6 through 8

AND

Page 3, line 9, delete "(c)" and substitute "(b)"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 13 and 14

AND

Page 3, line 15, delete "(e)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 3, delete line 34, and substitute the following:
"appointed or employed by the authority.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 15-5-209(a), concerning the disposition and use of funds by the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, is amended to read as follows:

(a) All revenues received by the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, except revenues derived from appropriations, are: ~~specifically~~

(1) Specifically declared to be cash funds restricted in their use and dedicated and to be used solely as provided in this subchapter and §§ 15-5-101 — 15-5-106 and 15-5-301 — 15-5-316;

(2) Exempt from § 19-4-802; and

(3) Not public funds under the Arkansas Procurement Law, § 19-11-201 et seq.

SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 15-5-209(c), concerning the disposition and use of funds by the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, is amended to read as follows:

(c) All moneys received by the authority, other than moneys received by virtue of an appropriation, are: ~~specifically~~

(1) Specifically declared to be cash funds restricted in their use and to be used solely as provided herein;

(2) Exempt from § 19-4-802; and

(3) Not public funds under the Arkansas Procurement Law, § 19-11-201 et seq."

AND

Delete SECTION 11 of the bill in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1797 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1808 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1808

Amend House Bill No. 1808 as engrossed H3/20/25:

Add Representative Andrews

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1808 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1820 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1820

Amend House Bill No. 1820 as engrossed H4/1/25):

Page 9, delete lines 23 and 24, and substitute the following:

"(C) Insurance Commissioner under the:

(i) Arkansas Insurance Code; or

(ii) Service Contracts Act, § 4-114-101 et seq.;"

AND

Page 9, line 29, delete "or"

AND

Page 9, delete line 32, and substitute the following:
"franchise issued by the state or a local government; or

(4) An entity regulated by the Division of Arkansas State Police under the Private Security Agency, Private Investigator, and School Security Licensing and Credentialing Act, § 17-40-101 et seq."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT MCKEE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1820 was ordered engrossed.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 4, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Dear Madam President:

This is to inform you that on April 3, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 83 - ACT 424
Senate Bill No. 103 - ACT 425
Senate Bill No. 329 - ACT 426
Senate Bill No. 366 - ACT 427
Senate Bill No. 432 - ACT 428
Senate Bill No. 232 - ACT 429
Senate Bill No. 454 - ACT 430
Senate Bill No. 99 - ACT 437
Senate Bill No. 278 - ACT
Senate Bill No. 380 - ACT 439
Senate Bill No. 218 - ACT 440
Senate Bill No. 275 - ACT 441
Senate Bill No. 280 - ACT 442
Senate Bill No. 327 - ACT 443
Senate Bill No. 344 - ACT 444
Senate Bill No. 368 - ACT 445
Senate Bill No. 378 - ACT 446
Senate Bill No. 388 - ACT 447
Senate Bill No. 401 - ACT 448
Senate Bill No. 403 - ACT 449
Senate Bill No. 91 - ACT 459
Senate Bill No. 271 - ACT 460
Senate Bill No. 319 - ACT 461
Senate Bill No. 370 - ACT 462
Senate Bill No. 414 - ACT 463
Senate Bill No. 379 - ACT 464
Senate Bill No. 381 - ACT 465
Senate Bill No. 382 - ACT 466
Senate Bill No. 383 - ACT 467
Senate Bill No. 384 - ACT 468
Senate Bill No. 385 - ACT469
Senate Bill No. 387 - ACT 470
Senate Bill No. 389 - ACT 471

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 118, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 132, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 320, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 324, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 10:58 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED)SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 118
SENATE BILL NO. 132
SENATE BILL NO. 320
SENATE BILL NO. 324
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this 4th day of April, 2025 at 10:58 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 596, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 602, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 605, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 615, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1352, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1429, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1602, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1694, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,
BY SENATOR CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1290, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1827, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1290 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1827 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 451, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 604, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 618, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 624, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 149, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 619, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 6, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1810, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 535, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1589, BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1657, BY REPRESENTATIVE BECK,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1851, BY REPRESENTATIVE JEAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1695, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. RICHARDSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 63
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, B. DAVIS

SENATE RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM APRIL AS AARP MONTH AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND TO PROCLAIM APRIL 8, 2025, AS AARP RED SHIRT DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 63 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 628
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COURT TRANSCRIPT FEES; TO INCREASE THE TRANSCRIPT FEES TO WHICH A COURT REPORTER IS ENTITLED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 628 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 629
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW AN OFFICER OF A CLOSELY HELD CORPORATION TO REPRESENT THE CORPORATION IN COURT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVICTION PROCEEDINGS AND UNLAWFUL DETAINER PROCEEDINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 629 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 630
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE ONLY A COURT TO FIX PUNISHMENT IF A DEFENDANT IS CHARGED WITH A FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BIFURCATED SENTENCING PROCEDURES; TO REQUIRE ONLY A JUDGE TO SENTENCE A DEFENDANT FOR A CHARGE THAT RESULTS IN A CONVICTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 630 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 631
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING HEARINGS ON THE REVOCATION OF PROBATION OR SUSPENSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 631 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 632
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT; TO REQUIRE WARNING LABELS FOR HAIR RELAXERS THAT CONTAIN CERTAIN CHEMICALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 632 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1808, BY REPRESENTATIVE COLLINS,
BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Resolution No. 62 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE VAN BUREN HIGH SCHOOL POINTERS WRESTLING TEAM AS THE 2024-2025 CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONS AND THE LADY POINTERS WRESTLING TEAM AS THE 2024-2025 CLASS 5A STATE RUNNERS-UP.

Senate Resolution No. 62 was third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 104 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendments No. 1 and Amendment No. 2 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 104

Amend Senate Bill No. 104 as originally introduced:

Add Senator M. Johnson as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "(16)" and substitute "(16)(A)"

AND

Page 2, delete line 7, and substitute the following:
"removed from the specified entity.

(B) Whether an entity is an "affiliate" does not depend on the percentage or form of ownership interest or any allocation of membership or ownership between entities, but it is the existence of control or common control that is the sole determinative factor;"

AND

Page 6, line 23, delete "(a)" and substitute "(a)(1)"

AND

Page 6, delete line 24, and substitute the following:
"a ghost network within this state.

(2) For purposes of this section, a network shall not be considered a ghost network if the network includes at least one (1) mail-order pharmacy option and one (1) in-person pharmacy option that is physically located in this state if both the mail-order pharmacy option and the in-person pharmacy option are:

(A) Accepting new patients; and

(B) Otherwise available to an enrollee in this state."

AND

Page 6, line 25, delete "(b)" and substitute "(b)(1)"

AND

Page 6, line 27, delete "(1)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 32 through 35, and substitute the following:

"(B) Failing to provide adequate access to pharmacy services for all covered self-administered prescription drugs, including through a licensed pharmacy physically located within this state; or

(C) Representing that a broad network of pharmacies or"

AND

Page 7, delete line 2, and substitute the following:

"in-state providers accessible to an enrollee.

(2) For purposes of this section, a network shall not be considered a carve-out network if the network includes at least one (1) mail-order pharmacy option and one (1) in-person pharmacy option that is physically located in this state if both the mail-order pharmacy option and the in-person pharmacy option are:

(A) Accepting new patients; and

(B) Otherwise available to an enrollee in this state."

AND

Page 8, delete lines 10 and 11, and substitute the following:
"manager affiliate without considering the enrollee's individual limitations, including"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 104

Amend Senate Bill No. 104 as engrossed H3/19/25:

Page 3, line 28, delete "healthcare payor affiliate or"

AND

Page 3, line 35, delete "within the" and substitute "within a"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 9 and 10, and substitute the following:
"one (1) or more self-administered prescription drugs in one (1) or more pharmacy benefits manager networks for the underlying health benefit"

AND

Page 11, line 13, delete "Enforcement." and substitute "Enforcement — Exclusions."

AND

Page 11, line 14, delete "A prohibition" and substitute "(a) A prohibition"

AND

Page 11, delete line 23, and substitute the following:

"(5) Indirectly performs the prohibited activity.

(b)(1) This subchapter does not require a self-funded health benefit plan to:

(A) Alter existing covered benefits of the self-funded health benefit plan; or

(B) Modify underlying plan terms of the self-funded health benefit plan.

(2) However, to the extent not preempted by federal law, this section applies to the administration and business practices of pharmacy benefits within the state, including without limitation the conduct of pharmacy benefits managers and pharmacy benefits manager affiliates.

(c)(1) If a pharmacy benefits manager imposes or represents any requirement or limitation as health-benefit-plan-imposed, the actual terms of the underlying health benefit plan document shall control.

(2) The plan sponsor shall retain the authority to interpret and apply the health benefit plan sponsor's own health benefit plan's terms to the extent permitted by applicable federal and state law.

(d) If it is determined by the Insurance Commissioner that a pharmacy benefits manager or pharmacy benefits manager affiliate is operating outside the terms of the underlying health benefit plan, all dispute, enforcement, and penalties under this subchapter shall apply and may be enforced by the commissioner."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

Amendments No. 1 and No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 104 adopted by the House and read 1st, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 104 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 104

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, *M. JOHNSON*

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO PROTECT PATIENTS' RIGHTS AND ACCESS TO MEDICATIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 104 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 104. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Murdock, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 104, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 32

NEGATIVE:
Total 0
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:
Total 0
EXCUSED:
Total 0
VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Murdock, Scott.
Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 104 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 257 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 257

Amend Senate Bill No. 257 as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 3, delete "decision;" and substitute "decision; and"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "decision; and" and substitute "decision."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 6 and 7

AND

Page 3, line 31, delete "procedure, or requirement" and substitute "manual, or published requirement"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 33 through 35, and substitute the following:
"records; and"

AND

Page 3, line 36, delete "(4)" and substitute "(3)"

AND

Page 4, line 1, delete "procedure, or requirement" and substitute "manual, or published requirement"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 8 through 10, and substitute the following:

"(3) Subdivisions (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this section do not apply to:

(A) Any information, protocol, procedure, or requirement for which disclosure is prohibited by state law or rule or by federal law or regulation;

(B) Research regarding the latest medical standard of care or advancement of practice that is conducted by the department on a specific request for payment or claim; or

(C) Adverse actions associated with licensure or certification of providers."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 19 and 20

AND

Page 4, line 21, delete "(2)" and substitute "(1)"

AND

Page 4, line 23, delete "(3)" and substitute "(2)"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 257 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 257 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 257
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; TO EXTEND THE APPEAL PERIOD FOR PROVIDERS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO REQUIRE COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION IN NOTICES OF ADVERSE DECISIONS; TO MANDATE PUBLICATION OF ALL POLICIES, PROTOCOLS, AND REQUIREMENTS USED IN MAKING AN ADVERSE DECISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 257 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 257. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 257 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 323 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 323

Amend Senate Bill No. 323 Amend Senate Bill 323 as originally introduced:

Page 4, delete lines 10 and 11, and substitute the following:
"(F) Make the horizontal property regime part of another development;"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 323, adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, DIRECTOR

On motion of Senator Bryant, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 323 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 323

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HORIZONTAL PROPERTY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 323 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 323. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 323 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 227

Amend Senate Bill No. 227 as engrossed S3/12/25:

Add Representatives A. Collins, Gazaway, Gramlich, Hawk, L. Johnson, M. McElroy, J. Richardson, Womack, Wooldridge as cosponsors of the bill

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 227, adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, DIRECTOR

On motion of Senator Bryant, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 227 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 227

As Engrossed: S2/20/25 S2/26/25 S3/3/25 S3/10/25 S3/12/25 H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, B. DAVIS, J. BOYD, C. PENZO, G. STUBBLEFIELD, J. PETTY

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS, *A. COLLINS, GAZAWAY, GRAMLICH, HAWK, L. JOHNSON, M. MCELROY, J. RICHARDSON, WOMACK, WOOLDRIDGE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967 CONCERNING PUBLIC MEETINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 227 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 227. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Payton.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 227 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 600 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Resolution No. 59 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 59
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

TO RECOGNIZE APRIL AS CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION MONTH.

Senate Resolution No. 59 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 610 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 610

Amend Senate Bill No. 610 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 21, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-4-1304(e)(2)(E), as enacted by Acts 2025, No. 373, § 16, concerning the time allowed for review of an annual update filing by the Arkansas Public Service Commission, is amended to read as follows:

(E) The commission shall complete its review of each annual update filing and issue its order within ~~sixty (60) days~~ ninety (90) days following the date of the annual update filing.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 23-4-1306(e)(1), as enacted by Acts 2025,"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 31 through 33, and substitute the following:

"~~and therefore is in the public interest~~ the provisions of this section.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 23-4-1306(e)(2)(E), as enacted by Acts 2025, No. 373, § 16, concerning the time allowed for review of an annual update filing by the Arkansas Public Service Commission, is amended to read as follows:

(E) The commission shall complete its review of each annual update filing and issue its order within ~~sixty (60) days~~ ninety (90) days following the date of the annual update filing.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the"

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT MCKEE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 610 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Murdock, House Bill No. 1771 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1771

Amend House Bill No. 1771 as originally introduced:

Add Senator R. Murdock as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, line 23, delete "twenty-five" and substitute "~~twenty-five~~"

AND

Page 1, line 24, delete "(25)" and substitute "~~(25)~~ fifty (50)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 12 and 13, and substitute the following:
"(b) Total medical claims on a paid basis by"

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "(d)" and substitute "(c)"

(SIGNED) SENATOR REGINALD MURDOCK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1771 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1009 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1009
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO ADVANCE THE STUDY OF NUCLEAR FUEL RECYCLING AND COMPLY WITH ARKANSAS ACTS 2023, NO. 259; TO REQUEST FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE NEXT STUDY PHASE; AND TO PETITION THE ARKANSAS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO RECTIFY MANY ENERGY ISSUES FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND THE UNITED STATES.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1009 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1009 returned to House as concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 437 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 437

As Engrossed: S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HALL, EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 437 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell spoke for the bill.

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 437. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Murdock.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers, Johnson, B., Love, C. Penzo.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 437 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 255, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 311, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 627, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1734, BY REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1844, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 591, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1241, BY REPRESENTATIVE MAYBERRY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1653, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 590, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 612, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 620, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 623, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1148, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1615, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1624, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1729, BY REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1752, BY REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1799, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1815, BY REPRESENTATIVE PERRY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1824, BY REPRESENTATIVE DUFFIELD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1835, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1838, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1839, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1865, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1887, BY REPRESENTATIVE PEARCE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1777, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 439 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 439

As Engrossed: S3/17/25 S3/20/25 S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE *DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1914; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 439 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 439. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 439 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Clark, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 406 at this time.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 406

Amend Senate Bill 406 as engrossed S3/19/25:

Page 1, line 25, delete "(f)(1)(A)" and substitute "(f)(1)(A)(i)"

AND

Page 1, delete line 27, and substitute the following:
"recorder unless the grantor named in the deed to real estate or an individual signing the deed on behalf of the grantor named in the deed to real estate"

AND

Page 1, delete line 29, and substitute the following:
"identification card or driver's license.

(ii) If a deed to real estate is presented to a recorder for recording by mail, the grantor named in the deed to the real estate shall include a photocopy of his or her valid photo identification or driver's license with the deed to real estate submitted by mail."

AND

Page 1, line 34, delete "(C)(i)" and substitute "(C)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 2 through 9

AND

Page 2, line 17, delete "or"

AND

Page 2, delete line 18, and substitute the following:

"(E) The Commissioner of State Lands;

(F) An individual representing the state or a political subdivision of the state; or

(G) The state, a municipality within the state, a county within the state, or a political subdivision of the state."

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 406 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 447 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 447

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REQUIRE PERMITTED COMMON CARRIERS TO SUBMIT REPORTS DETAILING SHIPMENTS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INTO THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 447 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 20

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flowers, Gilmore, Hickey, Hill, King, McKee, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, Flippo.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 447 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 475 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 475

As Engrossed: S3/19/25 S4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT; TO REGULATE PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 475 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 475. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 475 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 485 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 485

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GAZAWAY, DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUSPENDED IMPOSITION OF A SENTENCE, PROBATION, PAROLE, AND POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 485 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 485. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.485 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 488 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 488

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW ON JUVENILE DELINQUENCY; TO AMEND DEFINITIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE OF 1989; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING WHEN A JUVENILE IS CONSIDERED TO BE ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 488 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 488. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love, Murdock.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.488 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 311 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 311 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 311

Amend Senate Bill No. 311 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:
"(1) "Foreign adversary" means the same as the definition of prohibited foreign party under § 18-11-802;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 5

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "A medical" and substitute "Beginning on October 1, 2025, a medical"

AND

Page 2, line 28, delete "utilize" and substitute "put into service within this state any new or additional"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 33 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(c) A medical facility or research facility in this state shall report in writing to the Secretary of the Department of Health on all instances of ongoing usage of genetic sequencers and operational and research software used for genetic sequencers produced by a foreign adversary, a state-owned enterprise of a foreign adversary, a company domiciled within a foreign adversary, or a company-owned or company-controlled subsidiary of a company domiciled within a foreign adversary on January 1 of each year until the equipment is no longer in use."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 11, and substitute the following:

"(d)(1) A medical facility, research facility, or other company or entity shall store all genetic sequencing data outside of foreign adversary countries.

(2) Remote access to data storage, other than open data, from foreign adversary countries is prohibited."

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete "(f)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 3, line 22, delete "(g)(1)" and substitute "(f)(1)"

AND

Page 3, line 29, delete "(h)(1)" and substitute "(g)(1)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 4, and substitute the following:

"the person's genetic information was used in violation of this section, the entity shall also be found to have violated the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, § 4-88-101 et seq."

AND

Page 4, line 5, delete "shall" and substitute "may"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 23 through 25, and substitute the following:

"(b) Regardless of a claim filed by a medical facility or provider, a health benefit plan that is offered, issued, or renewed in this state shall not provide coverage for a human organ transplant or post-transplant care if:"

AND

Page 6, delete line 4, and substitute the following:

"(d) A healthcare insurer may seek reimbursement or setoff from a medical facility or provider if a claim is submitted and paid in violation of this section.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, care that is provided to save the life of an individual after the individual receives a prohibited organ transplant shall be covered.

(f) The commissioner shall develop and promulgate rules for the"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 311 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 255 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 255 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 255

Amend Senate Bill No. 255 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 36, delete "Food that" and substitute "Food other than meat that"

AND

Page 2, line 6, delete "or other animals"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 255 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 619 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 619 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 619

Amend Senate Bill No. 619 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 28, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) An isolated school may detach from a resulting or receiving district if the isolated school submits a petition to the resulting or receiving school district board of directors that states the intent to reestablish the original isolated school and that contains the signatures of:

(A) No less than three hundred fifty (350) registered voters who reside within the boundaries of the isolated school; or

(B) No less than fifty-one percent (51%) of the registered voters who reside within the boundaries of the isolated school.

(2)(A) The resulting or receiving school district board of directors shall request the county clerk of the county in which the resulting or receiving school district is located to verify the signatures submitted in a petition under subdivision (a)(1) of this section within five (5) business days of receipt of a petition under subdivision (a)(1) of this section.

(B) Upon request, a county clerk of the county in which the resulting or receiving school district is located shall verify the signatures within five (5) days of receipt of a request from the resulting or receiving school district board of directors under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section.

(3) The resulting or receiving school district board of directors shall review a petition submitted under subdivision (a)(1) of this section and call an election to be held on the issue of an isolated school detaching from a resulting or receiving district at the next annual school election.

(b)(1) An isolated school district may be formed from an isolated"

AND

Page 1, line 31, delete "et seq." and substitute "et seq., following the submission and approval of a petition under subsection (a) of this section."

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "district"

AND

Page 2, line 35, delete "severing" and substitute "detaching"

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "district"

AND

Page 3, line 15, delete "school district's" and substitute "school's"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 619 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 627 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 627 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 627

Amend Senate Bill No. 627 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. Bryant as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Add Representatives Wooldridge, Cozart, McGrew, Andrews as cosponsors of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 627 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Bill No. 496 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 496
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLLOWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PERMITS FOR SPECIAL CARGOES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT FOR SPECIAL CARGO TRANSPORTED BY A FARM MACHINERY EQUIPMENT HAULER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 496 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 496. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 496 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 497 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 497
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LABOR; TO REQUIRE THE CREATION OF A POSTER REGARDING VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN EMPLOYERS TO DISPLAY THE POSTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 497 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 497. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 497 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 516 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 516

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING AS A CANDIDATE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A PREFIX IN FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE BY AN APPOINTEE TO A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE; TO ALLOW A PERSON FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OR JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS WHO IS SERVING IN THAT POSITION AS AN APPOINTEE TO USE THE TITLE OF THAT POSITION AS A PREFIX WHEN FILING AS A CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 516 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 516. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 516 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Payton moved to extract Senate Bill No. 82 from the Revenue & Taxation Committee.

Senator Hickey spoke against the motion.

Senator Payton closed for the motion.

The motion failed.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 534 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 534
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS KRATOM CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT; TO REMOVE MITRAGYNINE AND 7-HYDROXYMITRAGYNINE, ALSO KNOWN AS KRATOM, FROM THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES LIST IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 534 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Blake Johnson spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Flowers, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Dees, Gilmore, Johnson, M., Stone, Stubblefield.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Payton.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Hammer, Hickey, Sullivan.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 534 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 540 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 540

As Engrossed: S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT, *FURMAN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR THE INABILITY TO DRIVE; TO LIMIT THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IMPOSITION OF RESTRICTIONS ON A DRIVER'S LICENSE OF A PERSON WHO HAS SUFFERED A SEIZURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 540 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 540. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 540 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hill, Senate Bill No. 562 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 562
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HILL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ANNUAL PROJECT REVIEW AND EFFICIENCY STUDY OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 562 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 562. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 562 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Flippo, Senate Bill No. 565 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 565
As Engrossed: S4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROCUREMENT LAW; TO ALLOW FOR A COMBINED WRITTEN CERTIFICATION UNDER THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; TO SIMPLIFY STATE CONTRACTING BY ALLOWING MULTIPLE CERTIFICATIONS TO BE INCORPORATED INTO A SINGLE COMBINED WRITTEN CERTIFICATION BY OPERATION OF LAW; TO SET A THRESHOLD FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE REQUIREMENT THAT A STATE CONTRACT INCLUDE A REPRESENTATION CONCERNING THE PROHIBITION ON CONTINGENT *FEES;* !TO CHANGE THE DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN REPORTS RELATED TO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING^; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 565 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flippo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 565. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 565 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 567 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 567
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MULTISTATE TAX COMPACT AND THE UNIFORM DIVISION OF INCOME FOR TAX PURPOSES ACT; TO AMEND AND MODERNIZE THE LAW CONCERNING THE APPORTIONMENT OF INCOME DERIVED FROM MULTISTATE OPERATIONS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD FOR SOURCING OF RECEIPTS FOR SERVICES AND INTANGIBLES FROM COST OF PERFORMANCE TO MARKET-BASED SOURCING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 567 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 567. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 567 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 573 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 573

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, CALDWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE METHOD OF VALUATION UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5, BY DEFINING THE TERMS USED IN THE ESTABLISHED METHODS OF VALUATION FOR PURPOSES OF PROPERTY TAX; TO CLARIFY AND DEFINE A STANDARD OF VALUATION FOR PROPERTY TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 573 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 573. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 573 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 575 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 575

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSTALLMENT FEES *COLLECTED IN CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEES; TO CREATE* THE JUSTICE SYSTEM FEE TASK FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 575 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 575. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No .575 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 576 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 576
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COVERAGE OF CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORS WITHIN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 576 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 576. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 576 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 577 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 577
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HALL, PURYEAR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO NOTIFY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CONCERNING SALES AND USE TAXES THAT ARE SET TO EXPIRE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 577 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 577. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 577 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 578 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 578
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EARLY VOTING; TO ALLOW A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CLOSE CERTAIN EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS DURING INCLEMENT WEATHER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 578 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 578. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 578 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 580 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 580

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXTEND FINANCING FOR PURCHASES OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT FOR A RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 580 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 580. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 580 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 583 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 583

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST LISTS RELATING TO PHARMACY SERVICES; TO CLARIFY THAT A PHARMACY, PHARMACIST, OR BUSINESS PROVIDING PHARMACY SERVICES MAY PURSUE A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR VIOLATIONS RELATED TO THE LAWS CONCERNING MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST LISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 583 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 583. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 583 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 593 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 597 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 597
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF THREAT OF HARM UPON A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION EMPLOYEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 597 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 597. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, McKee, Payton, Scott, Sullivan.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 597 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 601 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 601

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A PATHWAY FOR A GRADUATE OF A FOREIGN MEDICAL SCHOOL TO BE LICENSED IN THIS STATE IF HE OR SHE IS OFFERED FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT AS A PHYSICIAN FROM A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 601 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 601. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.601 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 611 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 611
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 611 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill spoke against the bill.
Senator Dees closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Gilmore, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 21

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Flowers, Hill.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Flippo, Hickey, King, Leding, Rice.

Total 7

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Crowell, Hammer, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....28
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.611 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 40 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 40

JBC 04/02/25 (1a)

Amend Senate Bill No. 40 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and replace with the following:
" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026

(1) Q030U DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF LEGIS RESEARCH 1 GRADE EXE04
(2) Q302C DEPUTY DIRECTOR 3 GRADE EXE03
(3) Q303C BLR CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL 1 GRADE EXE03
(4) Q304C BLR CHIEF INFORMATION TECH OFFICER 1 GRADE IST14
(5) Q305C BLR CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER 1 GRADE EXE02
(6) Q306C LEGAL RES & DRAFTING CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL 1 GRADE EXE02
(7) Q307C ADMINISTRATIVE RULES CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL 1 GRADE EXE02
(8) Q308C STATUTORY REVIEW CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL 1 GRADE EXE02
(9) Q309C LEGISLATIVE PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE SPC10
(10) Q310C LEGISLATIVE BUDGET ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE SPC10
(11) Q311C LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMMER ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE IST13
(12) Q312C LEGISLATIVE NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE IST13
(13) Q313C RESEARCH & POLICY ANALYSIS ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE SPC10
(14) Q314C COMMITTEE SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE SPC10
(15) Q315C LEGISLATIVE APPLICATIONS EXPERT 5 GRADE IST11
(16) Q316C LEGISLATIVE IT INFRASTRUCTURE EXPERT 4 GRADE IST11
(17) Q317C LEGISLATIVE WEBSITE SPECIALIST 1 GRADE IST07
(18) Q318C LEGISLATIVE USER IT EXPERT 5 GRADE IST05
(19) Q319C LEGISLATIVE DATA SPECIALIST 1 GRADE IST05
(20) Q320C LEGISLATIVE MEDIA ENGINEER 1 GRADE IST04
(21) Q272C LEGISLATIVE ECONOMIST 2 GRADE SPC08
(22) Q321C LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY III 23 GRADE SPC08
(23) Q322C LEGISLATIVE EDITOR COORDINATOR 1 GRADE SPC06
(24) Q323C LEGISLATIVE STATE BUDGET EXPERT 10 GRADESPC06
(25) Q324C LEGISLATIVE STATE PERSONNEL EXPERT 5 GRADE SPC06
(26) Q325C LEGISLATIVE EDITOR LEAD 7 GRADE SPC04
(27) Q326C LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH LEAD 7 GRADE SPC04
(28) Q327C LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE LEAD 10 GRADE SGS10
(29) Q328C LEGISLATIVE ADMIN SERVICES SR. ANALYST 3 GRADE SGS09
(30) Q329C LEGISLATIVE HUMAN RESOURCES

		ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS08
(31)	Q330C	LEGISLATIVE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	GRADE SGS08
(32)	Q331C	LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASST III	4	GRADE SGS06
(33)	Q110C	LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASST II	8	GRADE SGS05
(34)	Q332C	LEGISLATIVE INVENTORY/FACILITIES SPEC	1	GRADE SGS04
(35)	Q128C	LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	16	GRADE SGS04
(36)	Q333C	LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS03
(37)	Q065C	OFFICE SERVICES SUPERVISOR	1	GRADESGS06
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	134"	

AND

Page 4, delete SECTION 6 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

CLASSIFICATION UTILIZATION. The Bureau of Legislative Research may utilize, at the discretion of the Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research, the following classifications as necessary. The use of these classifications shall not be considered as increasing the number of positions authorized in this act, only as a temporary reclassification or cross grade of a position.

CLASS CODE	TITLE	GRADE
Q334C	LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY IV	SPC09
Q335C	LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY II	SPC05
Q336C	LEGISLATIVE STATE BUDGET SENIOR ANALYST	SPC05
Q337C	LEGISLATIVE STATE PERSONNEL SENIOR ANALYST	SPC05
Q338C	LEGISLATIVE STATE BUDGET ANALYST	SPC04
Q339C	LEGISLATIVE STATE PERSONNEL ANALYST	SPC04
Q340C	LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY I	SPC03
Q341C	LEGISLATIVE EDITOR SENIOR ANALYST	SPC02
Q342C	LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH SENIOR ANALYST	SPC02
Q343C	LEGISLATIVE EDITOR ANALYST	SPC01
Q344C	LEGISLATIVE STATE BUDGET SPECIALIST	SPC01
Q345C	LEGISLATIVE STATE PERSONNEL SPECIALIST	SPC01
Q346C	LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH ANALYST	SPC01
Q347C	LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE SENIOR ANALYST	SGS08

Q348C	LEGISLATIVE HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	SGS07
Q349C	LEGISLATIVE EDITOR SPECIALIST	SGS06
Q350C	LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ANALYST	SGS06
Q364C	LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH SPECIALIST	SGS06
Q365C	LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES SPEC	SGS05
Q353C	LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE SPECIALIST	SGS05
Q354C	LEGISLATIVE IT INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEER	IST10
Q355C	LEGISLATIVE APPLICATIONS COORDINATOR	IST10
Q356C	LEGISLATIVE IT INFRASTRUCTURE TECHNICIAN	IST08
Q357C	LEGISLATIVE APPLICATIONS DEVELOPER II	IST08
Q358C	LEGISLATIVE APPLICATIONS DEVELOPER I	IST07
Q359C	LEGISLATIVE PROJECT ANALYST	IST07
Q360C	LEGISLATIVE IT INFRASTRUCTURE SPECIALIST	IST06
Q361C	LEGISLATIVE USER SUPPORT LEAD	IST04
Q362C	LEGISLATIVE USER SUPPORT TECHNICIAN	IST03
Q363C	LEGISLATIVE USER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	IST02

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 40 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 41 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 41

J JBC 04/02/25 (1b)

Amend Senate Bill No. 41 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Office of the Governor for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	GOV09G	GOV CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE EXE02
(2)	GOV17G	GOV DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF	2	GRADE EXE01
(3)	GOV08G	GOV CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE SPC11
(4)	GOV34G	GOV SENIOR ADVISOR	1	GRADE SPC11
(5)	GOV12G	GOV COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SPC08
(6)	GOV25G	GOV LEG/POLICY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SPC08
(7)	GOV35G	GOV SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR	1	GRADE SPC08
(8)	GOV05G	GOV ATTORNEY III	2	GRADE SPC07
(9)	GOV07G	GOV BUDGET DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SPC06
(10)	GOV13G	GOV COMMUNICATIONS SENIOR ADVISOR	1	GRADE SPC06
(11)	GOV20G	GOV DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS	1	GRADE SPC06
(12)	GOV04G	GOV ATTORNEY II	2	GRADE SPC05
(13)	GOV36G	GOV SENIOR POLICY MANAGER	1	GRADE SPC05
(14)	GOV32G	GOV POLICY MANAGER	2	GRADE SPC05
(15)	GOV11G	GOV COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SPC01
(16)	GOV28G	GOV PHOTOGRAPHER	1	GRADE SPC02
(17)	GOV29G	GOV POLICY ADVISOR	5	GRADE SPC02
(18)	GOV26G	GOV LEGAL SUPPORT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SPC01
(19)	GOV31G	GOV POLICY COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SPC01
(20)	GOV21G	GOV DIRECTOR OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS	1	GRADE SGS10
(21)	GOV22G	GOV DIRECTOR OF CONSTITUENT SERVICES	1	GRADE SGS10

(22) GOV24G	GOV EXECUTIVE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS09
(23) GOV33G	GOV SCHEDULER	1	GRADE SGS09
(24) GOV03G	GOV ADVANCE AND COALITIONS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SGS08
(25) GOV27G	GOV OFFICE MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS08
(26) GOV37G	GOV OFFICE STAFF	9	GRADE SGS08
(27) GOV19G	GOV DEPUTY DIR OF BOARDS & COMMISSIONS	1	GRADE SGS07
(28) GOV18G	GOV DEPUTY DIR OF ADVANCE & COALITIONS	1	GRADE SGS06
(29) GOV02G	GOV ADVANCE AND COALITIONS COORDINATOR	5	GRADE SGS05
(30) GOV06G	GOV BOARDS & COMMISSIONS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS05
(31) GOV15G	GOV CONSTITUENT SERVICES COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS05
(32) GOV23G	GOV EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS05
(33) GOV01G	GOV ADVANCE AND COALITIONS AIDE	1	GRADE SGS04
(34) GOV10G	GOV COMMUNICATIONS AIDE	1	GRADE SGS04
(35) GOV14G	GOV CONSTITUENT SERVICES AIDE	3	GRADE SGS04
(36) GOV30G	GOV POLICY AIDE	1	GRADE SGS04
(37) GOV16G	GOV CONSTITUENT SERVICES STAFF	1	GRADE SGS01
MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES		59".	

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 41 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 52 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 52

JBC 04/02/25 (1c)

Amend Senate Bill No. 52 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 10, delete "ADMINISTRATIVE TECH I" and insert "EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE AUDITOR"

And

Page 2, line 32, delete "626,000" and insert "701,398"

And

Page 3, line 3, delete " $3,117,945" and insert " $3,193,343"

And

Page 3, delete Section 4 in its entirety and insert the following:

" SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - UNCLAIMED PROPERTY PROGRAM. There is hereby established for the Auditor of State - Unclaimed Property Program for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	ASST. CHIEF OF STAFF/UCP OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	$126,675
(2)	UCP COMPLIANCE MANAGER	1	$91,175
(3)	UCP CLAIMS MANAGER	1	$91,175
(4)	ASST UCP CLAIMS MANAGER II	1	$73,230
(5)	ASST UCP CLAIMS MANAGER I	1	$73,230
(6)	UCP COMPLIANCE AGENT	1	$65,630
(7)	UCP CLAIMS EXAMINER II	2	$65,630
(8)	UCP CLAIMS EXAMINER I	2	$65,630
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	10"	

And

Page 3, line 29, delete "302,000" and insert "313,454"

And

Page 3, delete lines 35 and 36 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(E) DATA PROC. 0

(04) DATA MATCH 1,000,000

TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED $3,985,089"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 52 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 54 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 54

JBC 04/02/25 (1d)

Amend Senate Bill No. 54 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS. There is hereby established for Auditor of State - Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Title	Maximum Maximum No. of Employees	Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	SENIOR DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY II	9	GRADE SPC10
(2)	SENIOR DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY I	23	GRADE SPC09

(3)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	30	GRADE SPC08
(4)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	39	GRADE SPC07
(5)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY	102	GRADE SPC05
(6)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY PART-TIME III	16	GRADE SPC05
(7)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY PART-TIME II	8	GRADE SPC04
(8)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY PART-TIME I	53	GRADE SPC03
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	280"	

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "$20,501,247" and insert "$23,693,247"

AND

Page 2, line 14, delete "6,926,736" and insert "8,203,736"

AND

Page 2, line 17, delete " $27,473,383" and insert " $31,942,383".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 54 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 55 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 55

JBC 04/02/25 (1e)

Amend Senate Bill No. 55 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Arkansas Supreme Court for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	Q009N	SUPREME COURT CLERK	1	GRADE EXE01
(2)	Q051C	NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE IST10
(3)	Q263C	APPELLATE AUTOMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IST08
(4)	Q106C	DATA POLICY MANAGER	1	GRADE IST08
(5)	Q021C	APPELLATE REVIEW ATTORNEY II	2	GRADE SPC07
(6)	Q011C	CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SPC07
(7)	Q072C	FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE SPC07
(8)	Q010C	LIBRARY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SPC07
(9)	Q035C	SUPREME COURT LAW CLERK	14	GRADE SPC07
(10)	Q012C	SUPREME COURT REPORTER	1	GRADE SPC07
(11)	Q037C	ASSISTANT CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	2	GRADE SPC05
(12)	Q036C	CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE SPC05
(13)	Q217C	DEPUTY CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SPC06
(14)	Q288C	SUPREME COURT HUMAN RESOURCE COORD	1	GRADE SGS11
(15)	Q083C	COMMUNICATIONS COUNSEL	1	GRADE SPC04
(16)	Q038C	DEPUTY REPORTER	1	GRADE SPC05
(17)	Q090C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO CLERK	1	GRADE SGS08

(18)	Q091C	JUDICIAL CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIST	1	GRADE SGS09
(19)	Q125C	SUPREME COURT POLICE OFFICER	5	GRADE LES04
(20)	Q228C	DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE SGS08
(21)	Q108C	FINANCIAL SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS09
(22)	Q116C	JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	6	GRADE SGS09
(23)	Q109C	RECORDS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE SGS09
(24)	Q107C	ASSISTANT CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE SGS08
(25)	Q122C	DATA RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS08
(26)	Q192C	PUBLIC SERVICE LIBRARIAN	1	GRADE SGS08
(27)	Q124C	LIBRARY TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	1	GRADE SGS07
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	51"	

AND

Page 3, line 3, delete "$4,665,830" and replace with "$4,689,830"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "1,477,956" and replace with "1,483,556"

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete "__$7,633,528" and replace with "__$7,663,128"

AND

Page 3, delete SECTION 4 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - SUPREME COURT BAR OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby established for the Arkansas Supreme Court - Bar of Arkansas for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	Q057N	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF OPC	1	GRADE EXE01
(2)	Q058N	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF OPP	1	GRADE EXE01
(3)	Q059N	SUPREME COURT DEP DIRECTOR OF OPC	1	GRADE SPC08
(4)	Q268C	SUPREME COURT ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE SPC07
(5)	Q269C	SUPREME COURT ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SPC06
(6)	Q200C	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF AJC	1	GRADE SPC06
(7)	Q201C	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF JLAP	1	GRADE SPC06
(8)	Q199C	SUPREME COURT SENIOR STAFF ATTY OPC	1	GRADE SPC06
(9)	Q202C	SUPREME COURT STAFF ATTORNEY OPC	2	GRADE SPC05
(10)	Q264C	HELP DESK APPLICATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS11
(11)	Q204C	SUPREME COURT DEPUTY DIRECTOR JLAP	1	GRADE SPC05
(12)	Q207C	SUPREME COURT LICENSING DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SGS11
(13)	Q229C	SUPREME COURT PROGRAM COORD AJC	1	GRADE SPC04
(14)	Q301C	SUPREME COURT PROGRAM COORD OPP II	1	GRADE SGS11
(15)	Q203C	SUPREME COURT PRO COORD OPP I	1	GRADE SGS08
(16)	Q270C	SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASST/PARALEGAL	1	GRADE SGS09
(17)	Q206C	SUPREME COURT FINANCIAL SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS09
(18)	Q208C	SUPREME COURT PARALEGAL OPC	1	GRADE SGS09
(19)	Q211C	SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT AJC	1	GRADE SGS07

(20) Q297C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT OPC	1	GRADE SGS07
(21) Q210C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT OPP	2	GRADE SGS07
(22) Q230C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASST JLAP	1	GRADE SGS06
(23) Q209C SUPREME COURT INVESTIGATOR OPC	1	GRADE SGS07
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	25".	

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 55 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 71 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 71

JBC 04/02/25 (1f)

Amend Senate Bill No. 71 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 36, delete "GS08" and insert "SGS08"

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "GS09" and insert "SGS09"

AND

Page 3, line 30, delete "GS08" and insert "SGS08".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 71 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 72 was withdrawn from the Committee on JOINT BUDGET, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 72

JBC 04/02/25 (1g)

Amend Senate Bill No. 72 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	Q004N	AOC DIRECTOR	1	GRADE EXE04
(2)	Q008N	AOC DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE EXE03
(3)	Q260C	AOC COURT APPLICATIONS BUSINESS DIR	1	GRADE IST12
(4)	D143C	AOC JUDICIAL CHIEF IT SECURITY ARCHITECT	1	GRADE IST11
(5)	Q088C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT MANAGER	1	GRADE IST09
(6)	Q219C	AOC DATA QUALITY MANAGER	2	GRADE IST09
(7)	Q048C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER	2	GRADE IST06
(8)	Q114C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST II	2	GRADE IST05
(9)	Q014C	AOC SPECIALTY COURT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS12
(10)	Q058C	AOC JUDICIAL BRANCH EDUCATION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SGS12
(11)	Q050C	AOC COURT INTERPRETER SERVICES DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SGS11
(12)	Q071C	AOC FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE SGS11

(13) Q104C AOC PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE SGS10
(14) Q082C AOC INTERPRETER SC:L	1	GRADE SGS10
(15) Q069C AOC CASA COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS10
(16) G309C AOC GRANTS MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS10
(17) Q258C AOC JUVENILE JUSTICE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS10
(18) Q089C AOC OFFICE MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS10
(19) Q057C AOC PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE SGS10
(20) Q081C AOC SPANISH INTERPRETER	4	GRADE SGS10
(21) Q070C AOC REGIONAL FUNCTIONAL SPECIALIST	6	GRADE SGS09
(22) Q289C AOC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS08
(23) Q113C AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	5	GRADE SGS08
(24) Q102C AOC JUDICIAL EDUCATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS08
(25) A142C AOC PAYROLL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS08
(26) Q105C AOC RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS08
(27) Q009C AOC MANAGING ATTORNEY	2	GRADE SPC10
(28) Q019C AOC SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	3	GRADE SPC06
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	47"	

AND

Page 3, line 28, delete "GS12" and insert "SGS12"

AND

Page 3, line 29, delete "GS08" and insert "SGS08"

AND

Page 3, line 30, delete "GS08" and insert "SGS08"

AND

Page 5, line 36, delete "IT06" and insert "IST06"

AND

Page 6, line 1, delete "GS14" and insert "SPC06"

AND

Page 6, line 2, delete "GS13" and insert "SPC05"

AND

Page 6, line 3, delete "GS08" and insert "SGS08"

AND

Page 6, delete SECTION 11 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 11. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT AUTOMATION. There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Automation for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026	
(1)	Q012N	AOC CIS DIVISION DIRECTOR	1		GRADE IST15
(2)	Q015N	AOC APPLICATIONS DIRECTOR	1		GRADE IST12
(3)	Q261C	AOC IT PROJECT MANAGEMENT OFFICE DIR	1		GRADE IST12
(4)	Q062N	AOC SYSTEMS DIRECTOR	1		GRADE IST12
(5)	N187N	CIS DIVISION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1		GRADE IST12
(6)	Q259C	AOC JUDICIAL CHIEF IT SECURITY OFFICER	1		GRADE IST11
(7)	Q005C	AOC DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR	2		GRADE IST11
(8)	Q140C	AOC DEVELOPMENT TEAM MANAGER	1		GRADE IST10
(9)	Q028C	AOC TECHNICAL TEAM MANAGER	1		GRADE IST10
(10)	Q136C	AOC INFORMATION SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	2		GRADE IST09
(11)	Q016C	AOC PROGRAM MANAGER	1		GRADE IST09
(12)	Q190C	AOC PROJECT MANAGER II	3		GRADE IST07
(13)	Q138C	AOC QUALITY ASSURANCE LEAD	1		GRADE IST07
(14)	Q139C	AOC IT SECURITY ANALYST	1		GRADE IST06
(15)	Q142C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER	4		GRADE IST06
(16)	Q049C	AOC TECHNICAL ANALYST	3		GRADE IST06
(17)	Q101C	AOC WEBSITE DEVELOPER	1		GRADE IST06
(18)	Q135C	AOC BUSINESS ANALYST	4		GRADE IST06
(19)	Q191C	AOC DATA ANALYST	1		GRADE IST06
(20)	Q189C	AOC PROJECT ANALYST	2		GRADE IST06
(21)	Q137C	AOC QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR	1		GRADE IST06
(22)	Q300C	AOC QUALITY ENGINEER	1		GRADE IST06
(23)	Q068C	AOC APPLICATIONS SPECIALIST	8		GRADE IST05
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	43"		

AND

Page 9, line 18, delete "GS12" and insert "SGS10"

AND

Page 10, line 14, delete "GS07" and insert "SGS07"

AND

Page 11, line 9, delete "GS12" and insert "LES09".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 72 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 354 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 354
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 354 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King spoke against the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flippo, Love, Murdock, Payton, Scott, Sullivan.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 354, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, Hickey, Hill, King, Leding, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flippo, Love, Murdock, Payton, Scott, Sullivan.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1927 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1927
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND A PROVISION OF ACTS 2025, NO. 408, CONCERNING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACTS 2025, NO. 408; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1927 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1927. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1927, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1927 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1090
HOUSE BILL NO. 1091
HOUSE BILL NO. 1095
HOUSE BILL NO. 1097
HOUSE BILL NO. 1102
HOUSE BILL NO. 1124
HOUSE BILL NO. 1127
HOUSE BILL NO. 1152
HOUSE BILL NO. 1176
HOUSE BILL NO. 1389
HOUSE BILL NO. 1639

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on the House Budget Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1090 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1090
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1090 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1090, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1090 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1091 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1091

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1091 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1091, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1091 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1095 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1095

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - STATE BANK DEPARTMENT AND STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1095 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1095, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1095 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1097 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1097

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1097 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1097, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1097 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1102 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1102

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE TURNBACK FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1102 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1102, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1102 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1124 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1124

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1124 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1124, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1124 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1127 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1127

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1127 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1127, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1127 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1152 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1152

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1152 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1152, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1152 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1176 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1176

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY - DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1176 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1176, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1176 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1389 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1389

As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR JONESBORO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT CENTER - PHASE 2 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1389 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1389, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1389 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1639 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1639

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES - SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1639 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1639, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1639 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote.

SENATE BILL NO. 25

SENATE BILL NO. 37

SENATE BILL NO. 39

SENATE BILL NO. 88

SENATE BILL NO. 359

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on the Senate Budget Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 25 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 25

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 25 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 25, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 25 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 37 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 37

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 37 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 37, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 37 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 39 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 39

As Engrossed: S3/10/25 S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 39 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 39, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 39 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No.88 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 88

As Engrossed: S3/17/25 S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 88 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 88, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 88 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No.359 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 359

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR COMPREHENSIVE OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME PROGRAM GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 359 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 359, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 359 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 122, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 255, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 311, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 406, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 492, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 563, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 599, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 600, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 627, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1531, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1701, BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES,
BY SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1717, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH, ET AL,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1735, BY REPRESENTATIVE EAVES,
BY SENATOR IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1717 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1735 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 64
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

SENATE RESOLUTION TO URGE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 64 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 4:40 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 538 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 538 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 538

Amend Senate Bill No. 538 as engrossed S4/2/25:

Add Senator J. Dotson as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Delete SECTION 11 of the bill in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 538 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 369, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 468, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 527, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 585, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO. 610, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 120 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 120
As Engrossed: S3/5/25 S4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, *IRVIN*
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE LICENSURE FOR ALL PRIVATE CARE AGENCIES IN THIS STATE; TO ENSURE CONSUMER PROTECTION FOR VULNERABLE AGING ADULTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 120 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 120. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, McKee.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.120 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 347 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 347
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MAYBERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR CERTAIN DENTAL SERVICES AND TO SET AN ANNUAL REIMBURSEMENT CAP FOR ADULT DENTAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 347 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell made a verbal disclosure regarding Senate Bill No. 347.
Senator Irvin made a verbal disclosure regarding Senate Bill No.347.

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 347. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Irvin.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.347 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 347 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator Clark, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 406 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 406

As Engrossed: S3/17/25 S3/19/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING INSTRUMENTS AFFECTING TITLE TO PROPERTY; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY RECORDER TO VERIFY CERTAIN INFORMATION BEFORE RECORDING A DEED TO REAL ESTATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 406 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill 406 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Bryant, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 492 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 492
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELOCATION OF UTILITY FACILITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ACQUISITION, CONDEMNATION, AND DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY BY THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE RELOCATION OF A UTILITY FACILITY LOCATED ON A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 492 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 492. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.492 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 590 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 590 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 590

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RECIDIVISM REDUCTION SYSTEM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 590 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 590. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 590, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.590 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator McKee, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 596 at this time.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 596 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 596

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ENERGY; TO ESTABLISH A STATE ENERGY POLICY; TO REGULATE RETIREMENT OF DISPATCHABLE ELECTRIC GENERATION FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 596 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 596. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 596, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 596 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 596 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 605 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 605 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 605
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DELTA TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL EXCISE TAX ACT; TO TAX DELTA TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL PRODUCTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 605 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dotson, Hester, Hill, Johnson, M., C. Penzo.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: McKee.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.605 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senator Hester was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1272

HOUSE BILL NO. 1321

HOUSE BILL NO. 1545

HOUSE BILL NO. 1571

HOUSE BILL NO. 1618

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Batch No. 1. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1272 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1272

As Engrossed: H3/4/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROPERTY VACATED BY *A MUNICIPALITY*; TO REQUIRE VESTED ABANDONED PROPERTY BE CONVEYED WITH THE ABUTTING REAL ESTATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1272 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1272 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1321 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1321
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE STEP THERAPY AND FAIL FIRST PROTOCOLS CONCERNING CERTAIN PRESCRIBED VENTILATORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1321 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1321 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1545 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1545

As Engrossed: H3/10/25 H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MILITARY CHILD SCHOOL TRANSITIONS ACT OF 2021; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1545 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1545 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1571 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1571
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ADULT DIPLOMA PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1571 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1571 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1618 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1618
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ELECTION, APPOINTMENT, AND CONTRACTING OF A MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1618 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1618 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Hester was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1733

HOUSE BILL NO. 1741

HOUSE BILL NO. 1742

HOUSE BILL NO. 1744

HOUSE BILL NO. 1772

HOUSE BILL NO. 1785

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Batch No.2.

Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1733 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1733

As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES JOEY CARR, TOSH

BY: SENATOR CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS BETTER CHANCE PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1733 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1733 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1741 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1741
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL LIMING MATERIALS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1741 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1741 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1742 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1742

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO SEED CERTIFICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1742 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1742 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1744 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1744
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO FERTILIZER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1744 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1744 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1772 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1772
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING VEGETABLE GARDEN PROTECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1772 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1772 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1785 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1785

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERS OF A COUNTY DEPOSITORY BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1785 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1785 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Hester was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1077

HOUSE BILL NO. 1274

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Batch No.3.

Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1077 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1077

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, *PAINTER, ENNETT, RICHMOND, NAZARENKO, TOSH*

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCARCERATION OF A VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; TO PROVIDE FOR NOTIFICATION TO THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OF THE INCARCERATION OF A VETERAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1077 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1077 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1274 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1274
As Engrossed: H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES; TO ALLOW A TITLE INSURANCE AGENT, TITLE INSURER, OR TITLE COMPANY TO PAY REAL PROPERTY TAXES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF A TITLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1274 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1274 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Hester was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote:

HOUSE BILL NO.1314

HOUSE BILL NO. 1341

HOUSE BILL NO. 1498

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Batch No.4. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1314 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1314

As Engrossed: H2/27/25 H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN AUDITS OF HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL AUDIT BILL OF RIGHTS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1314 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1314 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1341 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1341
As Engrossed: H3/17/25 H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BENEFITS UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PAY" UNDER THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1341 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1341 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1498 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1498

As Engrossed: H3/6/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MILITARY-TYPE CANTEENS AND EXCHANGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1498 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1498 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Hester was recognized. After discussion and without objection, the following bills are to be considered in a block vote:

HOUSE BILL NO.1638
HOUSE BILL NO. 1658
HOUSE BILL NO. 1759
HOUSE BILL NO. 1798

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Batch No.5. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1638 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1638
As Engrossed: H3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODERNIZE REFERENCES TO THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; TO AMEND ARMED FORCES AND UNIFORMED SERVICES LISTINGS TO INCLUDE THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1638 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1638 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1658 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1658

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO DEFINE "DEPLOYMENT" FOR PURPOSES OF THE EXCEPTION TO THE ASSESSMENT OF PENALTIES RELATED TO PROPERTY TAXES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1658 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1658 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1759 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1759
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY AND THE PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF TIME A TAXPAYER HAS TO ASSESS TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED DURING A CERTAIN TIME PERIOD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1759 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1759 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1798 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1798
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GREEN ENVELOPE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1798 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1798 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 7, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 217, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

SENATE BILL NO. 458, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,

SENATE BILL NO. 500, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, GILMORE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ARKANSAS'S ENGAGING THE JUSTICE COUNTS METRICS AND TO URGE POLICYMAKERS THROUGHOUT STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES TO IMPLEMENT AND UTILIZE THE JUSTICE COUNTS METRICS AND COMMIT TO MAKING THE LATEST CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA AVAILABLE.

Senate Resolution No. 65 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

SENATE BILL NO. 633
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES SET-ASIDE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE SECURITIES RESERVE FUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 633 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

Senate Bill No. 64 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 128 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 130 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 332 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 40, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 41, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 52, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 54, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 55, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 71, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 72, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 40 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 41 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No.52 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 54 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 55 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 71 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No.72 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 121, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 262, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 538, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 619, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 538 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 598, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 632, BY SENATOR FREDERICK LOVE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1171, BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1277, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1440, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1454, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1543, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1559, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1582, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1619, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1622, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1677, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1712, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1751, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1758, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1782, BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1854 BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1771, BY REPRESENTATIVE PERRY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1820, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1679, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended no. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 603, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 629, BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 600, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1692, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1717, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO.1749, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO.1763, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
HOUSE BILL NO.1780, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO.1830, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,
HOUSE BILL NO.1831, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1778, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1779, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1004
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, BEATY, JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE GAME WARDEN AUSTIN POWELL ON RECEIVING THE MONTY CARMIKLE OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD AND THE 2024 ROBERT M. BRANTLY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1004 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1011
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON
BY: SENATORS HESTER, DOTSON

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE BENTONVILLE'S INVESTMENT IN CYCLING AND ITS TITLE AS THE MOUNTAIN BIKING CAPITAL OF THE WORLD.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1011 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1018

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RAY, *ACHOR, BARKER, BECK, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, M. BROWN, R. BURKES, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, DUFFIELD, FURMAN, GAZAWAY, HAWK, LADYMAN, LUNDSTRUM, MCCOLLUM, B. MCKENZIE, NAZARENKO, PILKINGTON, RICHMOND, ROSE, TORRES, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, WOMACK*

BY: SENATORS J. PAYTON, *J. BRYANT, DEES, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE*

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE "THE CITIZENS ONLY VOTING AMENDMENT"; TO PROVIDE THAT ONLY A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES MEETING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION MAY VOTE IN AN ELECTION IN THIS STATE; AND PROVIDING THAT A PERSON WHO DOES NOT MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED TO VOTE IN ANY STATE OR LOCAL ELECTION HELD IN THIS STATE.

Subtitle

THE CITIZENS ONLY VOTING AMENDMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if

a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Short title. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution shall be known and may be cited as "The Citizens Only Voting Amendment."

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 3, § 1, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1. Qualifications of electors.

(a)(1) Only a citizen of the United States meeting the qualifications of an elector under this section may vote in an election in this state.

(2) A person who does not meet the qualifications of an elector under this section shall not be permitted to vote in any state or local election held in this state.

~~(a)~~(b) Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, ~~any person may vote in an election in this state who~~ to vote in an election in this state a person shall be:

(1) A citizen of the United States;

(2) A resident of the State of Arkansas;

(3) At least eighteen (18) years of age; and

(4) Lawfully registered to vote in the election.

~~(b)(1)~~(c)(1) In addition to the qualifications under subsection ~~(a)~~(b) of this section, the General Assembly shall provide by law that a voter shall:

(A) Present valid photographic identification before receiving a ballot to vote in person; and

(B) Enclose a copy of valid photographic identification with his or her ballot when voting by absentee ballot.

(2) The General Assembly shall establish by law the types of photographic identification that a person may present to comply with subdivision ~~(b)(1)~~(c)(1) of this section.

~~(c)~~(d) The State of Arkansas shall issue photographic identification at no charge to an eligible voter who does not have a form of photographic identification

meeting the requirements of the law enacted by the General Assembly under this section.

~~(d)(1)(A)~~(e)(1)(A) A voter unable to present valid photographic identification when voting in person shall be permitted to vote a provisional ballot.

(B) An absentee ballot that is not accompanied by a copy of valid photographic identification shall be considered a provisional ballot.

(2) A provisional ballot under subdivision ~~(d)(1)~~(e)(1) of this section shall be counted only if the voter subsequently certifies the provisional ballot in a manner provided by law.

~~(e)(1)~~(f)(1) The General Assembly shall implement the provisions of this amendment by law.

(2) The General Assembly may provide by law for exceptions to the requirement that a voter:

(A) Present valid photographic identification before receiving a ballot to vote in person; and

(B) Enclose a copy of valid photographic identification with his or her ballot when voting by absentee ballot.

~~(f)~~(g) A voter meeting the requirements of this section also shall comply with all additional laws regulating elections necessary for his or her vote to be counted.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 4. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to be Known as "The Citizens Only Voting Amendment" and Providing That Only a Citizen of the United States Meeting the Qualifications of an Elector Under the Arkansas Constitution May Vote in an Election in this State.".

House Joint Resolution No. 1018 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1089

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ARKANSAS WATERWAYS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1089 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1164

As Engrossed: H1//30/25 H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MAYBERRY

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT *TO ALLOW A* PHYSICIAN OR HEALTHCARE PROVIDER TO OFFER COGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS FOR CERTAIN PATIENTS; TO MANDATE THAT INSURANCE POLICIES COVER ASSESSMENTS FOR COGNITIVE FUNCTION, ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, OR DEMENTIA FOR CERTAIN PATIENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1164 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1191
As Engrossed: H3/18/25 H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1191 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1283
As Engrossed: H2/27/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, *S. MEEKS*
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND *SECONDARY EDUCATION TO INCLUDE DIGITAL MEDIA STANDARDS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWELVE LIBRARY MEDIA STANDARDS; AND FOR OTHER.*

House Bill No. 1283 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1483

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT TO USE STATE FUNDS TO PAY FOR AN ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM WITH WHICH IT CONTRACTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1483 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1484

As Engrossed: H2/26/25 H3/3/25 H3/4/25 H3/11/25 H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF *CREDITS* A STUDENT MAY OBTAIN IN A COURSE CREDIT RECOVERY PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1484 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1491

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, J. RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXCISE TAX ON CERTAIN BEER AND SAKE; TO CREATE AN EXCISE TAX CREDIT FOR CERTAIN BEER AND SAKE PRODUCED USING ARKANSAS RICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1491 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1580

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INFORMATION ON TYPE 1 AND TYPE 2 DIABETES WHEN OTHER HEALTH INFORMATION IS PROVIDED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1580 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1642
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT ACT; TO AMEND THE MEASURES CONSIDERED WHEN CALCULATING A SCHOOL RATING; TO ENSURE A STUDENT IS NOT COUNTED AS A DROPOUT FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING A SCHOOL-LEVEL GRADUATION RATE IF THE STUDENT PASSES A GED TEST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1642 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1683
As Engrossed: H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR A COMPONENT OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE BY A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; TO PROHIBIT THE PROCUREMENT BY A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR A COMPONENT OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE THAT WAS MANUFACTURED IN WHOLE OR IN PART USING FORCED LABOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1683 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1685

As Engrossed: H3/17/25 H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNDERWOOD, *MCCOLLUM, RAY, ACHOR, BARKER, BEATY, JR., BENTLEY, BREAUX, BROOKS, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOHN CARR, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, EVANS, FURMAN, GAZAWAY, GONZALES, GRAMLICH, HAWK, HOLLOWELL, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, M. MCELROY, B. MCKENZIE, J. MOORE, PAINTER, PILKINGTON, J. RICHARDSON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, ROSE, RYE, TORRES, VAUGHT, WOOLDRIDGE*

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE GROCERY TAX RELIEF ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SALES AND USE TAXES LEVIED ON FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS, AS AFFIRMED BY REFERRED ACT 19 OF 1958; TO EXEMPT FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS FROM STATE SALES AND USE TAXES; TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES TO ARKANSAS TAX LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1685 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1728
As Engrossed: H4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REQUIRE REPORTING ON THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECEIVING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A DISABILITY AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT TO INCLUDE REPORTING ON STUDENTS RECEIVING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A DISABILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1728 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1756
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY SERVICE DIPLOMA REQUIREMENT; TO ALLOW A PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR PERSON STANDING IN LOCO PARENTIS TO A STUDENT TO DOCUMENT AND MAINTAIN THE COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS THE STUDENT OBTAINS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1756 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1766

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS RESPOND, INNOVATE, SUCCEED, AND EMPOWER (RISE) ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1766 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1793

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DUKE

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL SUPPORTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1793 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1805
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CHILDRESS, HAWK
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "BULLYING" WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC SCHOOL ANTIBULLYING POLICIES; TO CREATE A PROCESS WHEREBY A PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY CONDUCT MULTIPLE, SIMULTANEOUS INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE SAME ALLEGATION OF BULLYING UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1805 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1809
As Engrossed: H4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF DISABLED VETERANS; TO ALLOW FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY A TRUST OR A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO QUALIFY AS A HOMESTEAD FOR PURPOSES OF THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF DISABLED VETERANS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1809 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1837

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE FOR MATTERS REFERRED TO VOTERS; TO BAN FOREIGN FUNDING FOR BALLOT MEASURES; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1837 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1846

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS 2036 COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1846 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1852

As Engrossed: H3/31/25 H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT; TO ESTABLISH A RIGHT TO REPAIR FOR CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1852 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1870

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS; TO ALLOW THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PROVIDE A VOTER REGISTRATION LIST TO FEDERAL COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1870 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1879

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL CITY COUNCILS AND COUNTY QUORUM COURTS TO POST VIDEO RECORDINGS OF PUBLIC MEETINGS; TO REQUIRE ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS OF CITY COUNCILS OR COUNTY QUORUM COURTS TO BE RECORDED IN VIDEO FORMAT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1879 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1893

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS; TO AUTHORIZE A PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNER OR BUSINESS OWNER TO BAN AN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL FROM THE PRIVATE PROPERTY OR THE BUSINESS PREMISES; TO REGULATE LIABILITY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY RELATED TO EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1893 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1895
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXCEPTIONS TO THE PROHIBITION AGAINST PRACTICING LAW FOR A CORPORATION OR VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION LAWFULLY ENGAGED IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES; TO ALLOW A CORPORATION OR VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION TO EMPLOY IN-HOUSE ATTORNEYS TO REPRESENT AFFILIATES OF THE CORPORATION OR VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1895 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1913
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, M. MCELROY
BY: SENATORS STONE, G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DRIVER'S LICENSES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR AN INTERMEDIATE DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1913 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

SENATE BILL NO. 1921

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHILD WELFARE AGENCY LICENSING ACT; TO AMEND THE TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR FOSTER PARENTS; TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS OF TRAINING AND CERTIFYING RELATIVES AS FOSTER PARENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 1921 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1925

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT *TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ABSENTEE BALLOTS; TO AMEND THE ABSENTEE BALLOT VOTER STATEMENT; TO REQUIRE A WITNESS FOR THE SIGNATURE OF AN ABSENTEE VOTER STATEMENT; AND FOR* OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1925 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1929

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RECOGNIZING JUDEA AND SAMARIA ACT; TO PROHIBIT STATE AGENCIES FROM USING THE TERM "WEST BANK" IN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1929 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1937

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

BY: SENATORS STONE, CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE METHOD OF VALUATION FOR MINERAL RIGHTS UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5; TO CLARIFY THE METHOD OF VALUATION FOR OIL AND GAS WELL PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT; TO PROVIDE FOR CONSISTENCY AND UNIFORMITY IN VALUATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1937 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1943
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO IMPROVE THE ENROLLMENT AND SELECTION PROCESS IN RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; TO EMPOWER MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES WITH USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS AVAILABLE TO THEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1943 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1954
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST REGISTRATION ACT; TO INCLUDE QUALIFIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST REGISTRATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1954 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1957
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNSOLICITED COMMERCIAL AND SEXUALLY EXPLICIT ELECTRONIC MAIL PREVENTION ACT TO INCLUDE UNSOLICITED COMMERCIAL AND SEXUALLY EXPLICIT TEXT MESSAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1957 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1958
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE PUBLIC ENTITIES TO CREATE A POLICY CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZED USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1958 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1963
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GONZALES, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE WHO PRESCRIBES A STIMULANT MAY SUBSTITUTE A THERAPEUTICALLY EQUIVALENT MEDICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1963 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1965
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCULLOUGH
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTHY FOOD RETAIL ACT OF 2025; TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR HEALTHY FOOD RETAILERS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1965 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 478, BY SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD,

report that we have had the same under consideration and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1796, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1845, BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1606, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1666, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1688, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1834, BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 258, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 4, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1243, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1797, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

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TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1018

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

EIGHTY-SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 8, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator McKee.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 568 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 568

Amend Senate Bill No. 568 as engrossed S4/1/25:

Page 1, delete lines 16 through 18, and substitute the following:
"CONCERNING THE SEVERANCE TAX ON LITHIUM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 2, line 30, delete "lease" and substitute "facility lease"

AND

Page 2, line 35, delete "extraction,"

AND

Page 3, line 11, delete "extraction,"

AND

Page 3, line 17, delete "extraction,"

AND

Page 4, line 28, delete "(b)" and substitute "(b)(1)"

AND

Page 4, line 32, delete "(1)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 4, line 34, delete "(2)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 5, line 1, delete "(3)" and substitute "(C)"

AND

Page 5, line 2, "(4)" and substitute "(D)"

AND

Page 5, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"lithium battery, and grid storage facility equipment in the state.

(2) Equipment, materials, products, land, and services purchased, leased, or rented for the extraction of salt water are specifically excluded from the exemption provided under subdivision (b)(1) of this section."

AND

Delete SECTION 5 and SECTION 6 of the bill in their entirety

AND

Delete SECTION 9 of the bill in its entirety

AND

Page 9, line 35, delete "1-8" and substitute "1-6"

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 568 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 149 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 149

Amend Senate Bill No.149 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 21, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative findings and intent.

(a) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) It is the duty of the General Assembly to provide a suitable and efficient free public education to the students of Arkansas;

(2) Acts 2023, No. 237, the "LEARNS Act", ensured that public school teachers receive a minimum salary of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) and that public school teachers with salaries above fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) receive a raise in the amount of two thousand dollars ($2,000);

(3) The House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education, meeting jointly, determined through the adequacy review process the foundation funding amounts to meet the obligation of the General Assembly to provide a suitable and efficient free public education to students; and

(4) The 2025-2026 school year foundation funding amount recommended and adopted by the General Assembly includes three hundred twenty dollars ($320) to pay the minimum employer contribution for participants in the state-sponsored insurance program that public school districts pay and that ultimately is paid to the Employee Benefits Division.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly to:

(1) Provide funding to assist public school districts to meet salary requirements enacted by the LEARNS Act;

(2) Create a more efficient process of funding;

(3) Gradually phase out teacher salary equalization funding to increase the average teacher salary in Arkansas public schools and transfer the funds to be used to assist in meeting the minimum teacher compensation requirements under § 6-17-2403;

(4) Deduct the minimum employer contribution for participants in the state-sponsored insurance program from the 2026-2027 foundation funding amount; and

(5) Direct the Department of Education to pay the employer

contribution rate in the amount of three hundred thirty-three dollars ($333) directly to the Employee Benefits Division on behalf of public school districts.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(a)(2), concerning per-student"

AND

Page 1, line 26, delete "($8,162)" and substitute "($8,162), which includes three hundred twenty dollars ($320) for the minimum employer contribution for participants in the state-sponsored insurance program,"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 30 and 31, and substitute the following:
"~~thousand seven hundred seventy-one dollars ($7,771)~~ eight thousand thirty-seven dollars ($8,037), which does not include three hundred thirty-three dollars ($333) for the minimum employer contribution for participants in the state-sponsored insurance program that will be paid directly to the Employee Benefits Division on behalf of public schools, multiplied by the school district's"

AND

Page 1, line 34, delete "SECTION 2" and substitute "SECTION 3"

AND

Page 2, line 15, delete "SECTION 3" and substitute "SECTION 4"

AND

Page 2, line 36, delete "SECTION 4" and substitute "SECTION 5"

AND

Page 3, line 29, delete "SECTION 5" and substitute "SECTION 6"

AND

Page 4, line 4, delete "SECTION 6" and substitute "SECTION 7"

AND

Page 4, line 10, delete "to one" and substitute "to ~~one~~"

AND

Page 4, delete line 11, and substitute the following:
"~~hundred eight-five dollars ($185)~~ the amount established in subdivisions (6)(A)(ii)-(iv) of this section multiplied by the average daily membership"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 13 through 20, and substitute the following:
"(ii) For the ~~2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years~~ 2025-2026 school year, the statewide target average annual salary shall be fifty-one thousand eight hundred twenty-two dollars ($51,822) and teacher salary equalization funding shall be one hundred eight-five dollars ($185).

(iii) ~~The House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education shall set jointly the statewide target average annual salary for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years, and each biennium thereafter, as part of the adequacy review process required under § 10-3-2102~~ For the 2026-2027 school year, the statewide average annual salary shall be fifty-one thousand eight hundred twenty-two dollars ($51,822) and teacher salary equalization funding shall be one hundred dollars ($100).

(iv) For the 2027-2028 school year, the statewide average annual salary shall be fifty-one thousand eight hundred twenty-two dollars ($51,822) and teacher salary equalization funding shall be fifty dollars ($50)."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 149 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 600 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 600

Amend Senate Bill No. 600 as engrossed S4/7/25:

Page 1, line 34, delete "unit." and substitute "unit in Arkansas."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 600 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 623 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 623

Amend Senate Bill No. 623 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Hudson as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 2, delete line 10, and substitute the following:

"detention facility, a female medical provider or a female member of staff of the correctional or detention facility to be present during a medical"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 623 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1606 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1606

Amend House Bill No. 1606 as engrossed H3/12/25:

Page 2, delete lines 31 through 33

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1606 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1666 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1666

Amend House Bill No. 1666 as originally introduced:

Add Senator K. Hammer as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1666 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1679 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1679

Amend House Bill No. 1679 as engrossed H3/19/25:

Page 1, delete lines 32 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter to the contrary, a donor's prior anatomical gift may be modified, amended, or revoked before the donor's death by an agent acting pursuant to the donor's durable power of attorney for health care, unless the power of attorney for health care or other record prohibits the agent from modifying, amending, or revoking an anatomical gift.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter to the contrary, following a donor's death, if the death is pronounced in a place other than a medical facility, or two (2) hours after the pronouncement of death within a medical facility, a donor's prior anatomical gift may be modified, amended, or revoked by the following:

(1) First, the spouse of the donor;

(2) Second, the sole child of the donor or, if there is more than one (1) child of the donor, the majority of the surviving children;

(3)(A) Third, the surviving parent or parents of the donor.

(B) If one (1) of the parents of the donor is absent, the remaining parent shall be vested with the rights and duties of this section after reasonable efforts have been unsuccessful in locating the absent parent;

(4) Fourth, the surviving brother or sister of the donor or, if there is more than one (1) sibling of the donor, the majority of the surviving siblings;

(5) Fifth, the surviving grandparent of the donor or, if there is more than one (1) surviving grandparent, the majority of the grandparents;

(6) Sixth, the surviving grandchild of the donor or, if there is more than one (1) surviving grandchild, the majority of the grandchildren;

(7) Seventh, the guardian of the donor at the time of the donor's death, if one had been appointed; or

(8) Eighth, the person in the classes of the next degree of kinship, in descending order, under the laws of descent and distribution to inherit the estate of the donor."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 25

AND

Page 2, line 26, delete "(b)(1)" and substitute "(c)(1)"

AND

Page 2, line 33, delete "(c)(1)" and substitute "(d)(1)"

AND

Page 3, line 21, delete "(d)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 3, line 23, delete "(e)" and substitute "(f)"

AND

Page 3, line 27, delete "(f)" and substitute "(g)"

AND

Page 3, line 30, delete "private" and substitute "organ"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 31 through 34, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) On or before January 31 of every year, an organ procurement organization that procures or recovers organs or tissues in this state shall submit a written report to the Legislative Council for the organ procurement organization's most recent fiscal year."

AND

Page 4, line 2, delete "harvested by the private" and substitute "recovered by the organ"

AND

Page 4, delete line 3, and substitute the following:

"the reporting period, together with a breakdown of the number of organs that were donated by persons who had consented to donation prior to death and the number of organs that were donated under § 20-17-1209."

AND

Page 4, line 4, delete "private" and substitute "organ"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 12 through 14

AND

Page 4, line 15, delete "(C)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 16 through 18, and substitute the following:
"tissues were furnished by the organ procurement organization;
(C)(i) The total moneys paid to the organ procurement"

AND

Page 4, line 19, delete "harvested" and substitute "recovered"

AND

Page 4, line 20, delete "private" and substitute "organ"

AND

Page 4, line 21, delete "private" and substitute "organ"

AND

Page 4, line 22, delete "private" and substitute "organ"

AND

Page 4, line 23, delete "(a)(2)(D)(i)" and substitute "(a)(2)(C)(i)"

AND

Page 4, line 24, delete "harvested" and substitute "recovered"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 28 through 32, and substitute the following:

"(d) Any other purpose;

(E) The number of instances in which the revocation of any anatomical gift under § 20-17-1228(a) was communicated to the organ procurement organization; and

(F) The number of instances in which the revocation of any anatomical gift under § 20-17-1228(b) was communicated to the organ procurement organization."

AND

Page 4, line 33, delete "(c)" and substitute "(b)"

AND

Page 4, line 35, delete "Council." and substitute "Council unless excused or waived by the Legislative Council."

AND

Page 4, line 36, delete "(d)" and substitute "(c)"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 3 through 10, and substitute the following:

"state.

(d) The Secretary of State shall revoke the charter of an organ procurement organization that fails to timely report under this section."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1679 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1688 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1688

Amend House Bill No. 1688 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Stone as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT STONE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1688 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1695 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1695

Amend House Bill No. 1695 as engrossed H3/17/25:

Page 2, line 29, delete "~~one hundred twenty (120)~~ three" and substitute "one hundred twenty (120)"

AND

Page 2, line 30, delete "hundred sixty-five (365)"

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "~~sixty (60)~~ one hundred eighty (180)" and substitute "sixty (60)"

AND

Page 3, line 3, delete "~~sixty (60)~~ one hundred eighty (180)" and substitute "sixty (60)"

AND

Page 4, line 6, delete "(a)" and substitute "(a)(1)"

AND

Page 4, delete line 8, and substitute the following:

"property that is subject to the lien.

(2) An action for foreclosure under this subdivision (a)(1) shall name all lienholders of record over which a city or town claims the city or town has priority as parties to the foreclosure.

(3) If a lienholder is not named as a party to a foreclosure under subdivision (a)(1)(B)(i)(a)(2) of this section, the lien held by the lienholder shall remain on the property; and"

AND

Page 5, line 14, delete "distributed" and substitute "distributed based on the priority of the liens on the property"

AND

Page 5, line 16, delete "sale" and substitute "sale that complies with the

requirements stated in this section and is"

AND

Page 5, line 18, delete "or exhausted"

AND

Page 6, line 5, delete "three hundred sixty-five (365)" and substitute "one hundred twenty (120)"

AND

Delete SECTION 10 of the bill in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1695 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1734 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1734

Amend House Bill No. 1734 as engrossed H3/17/25:

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"by the medical staff of the hospital and a physician other than an emergency department physician is not immediately available."

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1734 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1778 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1778

Amend House Bill No. 1778 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Gilmore as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1778 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1779 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1779

Amend House Bill No.1779 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Gilmore as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1779 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1810 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1810

Amend House Bill No.1810 as engrossed H3/31/25:

Page 5, delete line 7, and substitute the following:
"Governor, subject to the confirmation of the Senate."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1810 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1834 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1834

Amend House Bill No. 1834 as engrossed H3/31/25:

Delete SECTION 2 of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT STONE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1834 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 556 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 556 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 557 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 557 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 8, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 3, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measure from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 278 - ACT 438

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 64, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 104, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 128, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 130, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 227, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 257, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 323, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 332, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 9:33 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

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SENATE BILL NO. 128
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SENATE BILL NO. 227
SENATE BILL NO. 257
SENATE BILL NO. 323
SENATE BILL NO. 332

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this eighth day of April, 2025 at 10:06 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 123 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 148 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 153 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 160 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 237 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 252 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 351 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
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Senate Bill No. 361 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
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Senate Bill No. 421 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 422 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 433 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 440 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 448 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 463 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 479 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 498 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 503 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 505 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 545 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 564 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 343 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 343 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 374 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 374 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 371 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 460 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 149, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 600, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 623, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 568, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 568 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO.1606, BY REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL,
BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1666, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,
BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1679, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1688, BY REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1695, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. RICHARDSON,
BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1734, BY REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS,
BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1778, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1779, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1810, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,
BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1834, BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB,
BY SENATOR MATT STONE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO 1656, BY REPRESENTATIVE BECK,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1680, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1827, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1855, BY REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1923, BY REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1928, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 520, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1476, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKENZIE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1730, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1783, BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1872, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1901, BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1902, BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1416, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 621, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1150, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1320, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1572, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1735, BY REPRESENTATIVE EAVES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1826, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1850, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1863, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1847, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,

HOUSE BILL NO. 1957, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 32, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 33, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 34, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 35, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 36, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 40, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 41, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 51, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 52, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 54, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 55, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 71, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 81, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 106, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL NO. 124, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 67, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 538, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 614, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1365, BY REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1870, BY REPRESENTATIVE WING,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1891, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1896, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKENZIE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1929, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1898, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1886, BY REPRESENTATIVE PEARCE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1958, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 66
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY ROBOTICS CLUB FOR WINNING THE TOURNAMENT CHAMPION AND INNOVATE AWARDS AT THE 2025 TEXAS STATE VEX U TOURNAMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 66 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH
BY REPRESENTATIVES BARKER, ET AL

A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THE PURSUIT OF NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE DESIGNATION BY THE WINTHROP P. ROCKEFELLER CANCER INSTITUTE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5 was transmitted to the House.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 67
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE BASKETBALL SCORING STAR IZZY HIGGINBOTTOM.

Senate Resolution No. 67 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Resolution No. 63 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 63
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, B. DAVIS

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM APRIL AS AARP MONTH AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND TO PROCLAIM APRIL 8, 2025, AS AARP RED SHIRT DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

Senate Resolution No. 63 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1131 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1131

Amend House Bill No. 1131 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 28 and 29, and substitute the following:

"(2) A nursing task to be delegated under this section may include the following tasks and any additional tasks authorized by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing:"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 19 through 21, and substitute the following:

"(d)(1) An individual to whom a nursing task is delegated is not authorized to delegate the performance of the nursing task to another individual."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1131 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1844 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1844

Amend House Bill No.1844 as originally introduced:

Add Senator D. Wallace as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR D. WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1844 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1777 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1777

Amend House Bill No. 1777 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Gilmore as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1777 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, and without objection, the House was requested to return House Bill No. 1555 for further consideration.

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Little Rock, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks:

The Senate respectfully requests the return to the Senate House Bill No. 1555.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell
Secretary of the Senate

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1685 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1685 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1685

Amend House Bill No. 1685 as engrossed H4/1/25:

Page 12, delete lines 9 through 11, and substitute the following:

"(1) “Food” and “food ingredients” mean the same as defined in § 26-53-102 except that “food” and “food ingredients” do not include prepared food; and

(2) “Prepared food” means the same as defined in § 26-53-102 except that “prepared food” does not include:

(A) Food that is only cut, repackaged, or pasteurized by the seller; or

(B) Eggs, fish, meat, and poultry, and foods containing these raw animal foods requiring cooking by the consumer to prevent food-borne illnesses as recommended by the United States Food and Drug Administration in its 2005 Food Code, § 3-401.11, as it existed on January 1, 2007."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1685 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1746 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 520 at this time.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 520 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 520

Amend Senate Bill No. 520 as originally introduced:

Page 3, delete lines 11 through 29, and substitute the following:

"(e)(1) A citizen of Arkansas that believes a violation or potential violation of this section by a local government has occurred shall notify the local government of the violation.

(2) Upon notification under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, the local government shall resolve the violation within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice.

(3)(A) If the local government does not cease the conduct in violation of this section within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice, a citizen of Arkansas may bring a civil action in circuit court to:

(i) Enjoin a violation of this section; and

(ii) Recover reasonable court costs and attorney's fees.

(B) If the court finds that a violation has occurred in an action brought under subdivision (e)(3)(A) of this section, the court shall award:

(i) Injunctive relief; and

(ii) Court costs and attorney's fees."

AND

Page 3, line 32, delete "initiative;" and substitute "initiative; or"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 33 through 35

AND

Page 3, line 36, delete "(3)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 4, delete line 7, and substitute the following"
"civil rights laws or any agreement related to the receipt of state or federal funding."

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 520 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 167 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 167

Amend Senate Bill No. 167 as engrossed S2/27/25:

Add Representative Brooks

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 167, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Clark, Senate Bill No. 167 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 167

As Engrossed: S2/27/25 H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATES BY WHICH APPLICATIONS FOR A TRANSFER UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015 SHALL BE SUBMITTED; TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH A FOSTER CHILD SHALL SUBMIT A REQUEST TO TRANSFER SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 167 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 167. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.167 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1089 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1089

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ARKANSAS WATERWAYS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1089 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1089. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1089, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1089 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1191 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1191

As Engrossed: H3/18/25 H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1191 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1191. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1191, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1191 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 354 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 354

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 354 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King spoke against the bill.

Senator Payton spoke for the bill.

Senator Petty spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 21

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, Hickey, King, Leding, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flippo, Hill, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 354, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 21

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, Hickey, King, Leding, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flippo, Hill, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 121 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 121

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT; TO APPLY THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 121 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 121. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 121 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 122 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 122

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT; TO APPLY THE AUTOMATIC OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE FOR OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE ACT TO PHYSICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 122 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 122. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Irvin.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.122 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 217 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 217
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REQUEST A WAIVER TO EXCLUDE CANDY AND SOFT DRINKS FROM ELIGIBLE FOODS UNDER THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 217 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill 217. Motion carried.

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 217. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: English, Flowers, Murdock, Scott.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Tucker.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 217 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 255 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 255

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE C. COOPER, ROSE, LONG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "DRUG" WITHIN THE FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 255 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill 255. Motion carried.

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 255. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Irvin.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 255 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Payton, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Resolution No. 67 at this time.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Resolution No. 67 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 67
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE BASKETBALL SCORING STAR IZZY HIGGINBOTTOM.

Senate Resolution No. 67 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 568, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG
SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL
SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATOR JIM PETTY
SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD
SENATOR BART HESTER
SENATOR KIM HAMMER

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 262 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 262
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CORPORATE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE DOCTRINE; TO AUTHORIZE A CURRENT LICENSED MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL WHO OWNS A MEDICAL CORPORATION TO MAINTAIN OWNERSHIP IF HIS OR HER MEDICAL LICENSE IS NO LONGER ACTIVE OR HE OR SHE RETIRES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 262 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 262. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 262 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 311 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 311

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE END ORGAN AND GENOMIC HARVESTING ACT; TO PROHIBIT COVERAGE OF CERTAIN HUMAN ORGAN TRANSPLANT OR POST-TRANSPLANT CARE; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN GENETIC SEQUENCERS AND GENETIC ANALYSIS TECHNOLOGIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 311 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 311. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 311 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 369 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 369
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT RECYCLING GRANTS; TO REPEAL THE COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC RECYCLING FUND; TO MODIFY THE DISBURSEMENT OF REVENUES GENERATED FROM THE SALE OF AGENCY SURPLUS COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 369 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 369.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 369 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 451 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 451

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, D. GARNER, LUNDSTRUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF *HUMAN SERVICES* AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH !PROGRAMS^; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS PLACED IN JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 451 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flowers spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

Senator Dismang spoke on the bill.

Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.

Senator Hester closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, King.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 451, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, King.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....32
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 451 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

House Bill No. 1555 was returned from the House as requested.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 520, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

HOUSE BILL NO. 1777, BY REPRESENTATIVE GASAWAY,
BY: SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1844, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,
BY SENATOR WALLACE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1685, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD, ET AL
BY SENATOR BART HESTER

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR ALAN CLARK
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 458 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 458
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A COURT TO CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF FACTORS SUCH AS TRAUMA AND INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM ON A PERSON WHO COMMITTED A CRIME AS A MINOR DURING A TRANSFER OR SENTENCING HEARING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 458 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 458. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 458 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 468 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 468

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FLUORIDATION OF A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM; TO ALLOWS VOTERS TO ELECT "FOR" OR "AGAINST" WATER FLUORIDATION IN THE COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Penzo requested Senate Bill No. 468 be moved to the end of the calendar.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 500 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 500

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HALL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LEVEE DISTRICTS; TO ALLOW A LEVEE DISTRICT CREATED BY AN ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ADOPT PROCEDURE CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 500 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 500. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 500 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 527 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 527

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS IRVIN, HESTER, J. DISMANG, GILMORE, J. BOYD, B. JOHNSON, STONE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, ACHOR, BENTLEY, CLOWNEY, EAVES, EUBANKS, EVANS, GRAMLICH, HUDSON, LADYMAN, LUNDSTRUM, MADDOX, PERRY, PILKINGTON, M. SHEPHERD, VAUGHT, WALKER, WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME ACT OF 2021; TO INCREASE THE MEDICAL-LOSS RATIO IN THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TO OBTAIN PHARMACY REBATES UNDER THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 527 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 527. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, Flowers, Leding, C. Penzo, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 527 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 563 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 563

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EQUINE WELFARE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY COMMISSION TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR CERTAIN ACTIONS AGAINST AN EQUINE; TO ALLOW A BODY CONDITION SCORE TO BE USED TO DETERMINE IF ADEQUATE FOOD AND WATER HAS BEEN SUPPLIED TO AN EQUINE UNDER THE OFFENSE OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 563 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Flowers, King.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Hickey, Johnson, B., McKee, Murdock, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 7

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 563 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 535 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 535

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS HESTER, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, K. HAMMER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING, F. LOVE, J. PETTY, J. SCOTT, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EVANS, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR THE ARKANSAS MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS AND THE ARKANSAS MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS FOUNDATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 535 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 535. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Clark.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Hickey, C. Penzo, Rice, Sullivan.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 535 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 585 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 585
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. LEDING
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES WORTHEN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMPLOYMENT; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN RECORDS BE PROVIDED TO AN EMPLOYEE WHO IS A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 585 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke against the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dismang, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Irvin, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Stone, Tucker.

Total 14

NEGATIVE: Clark, Crowell, Dotson, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 15

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, English, King, Sullivan.

Total 6

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 585 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 8, 2025.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 591 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 591
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT RACE-SELECTION ABORTION IN THIS STATE; TO CREATE THE RACE DISCRIMINATION BY ABORTION PROHIBITION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Penzo requested Senate Bill No. 591 be moved to the end of the calendar.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 598 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 598
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH
BY: REPRESENTATIVE COZART

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES; TO ALTER THE TEST USED FOR DETERMINING THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF INDIVIDUALS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYEE" UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; TO STREAMLINE THE OPERATIONS OF THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES; TO REFLECT THE REMOVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FROM ADMINISTRATION OF THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM; TO ALTER THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 598 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 598. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 598 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 599 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 599

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, *C. PENZO*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, MCCULLOUGH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ELIMINATE INTERLOCUTORY DECREES OF ADOPTION; TO AMEND THE REVISED UNIFORM ADOPTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 599 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 599. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 599 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House .

On motion of Senator Tucker, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1865 at this time.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1865 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1865

Amend House Bill No. 1865 as originally introduced:

Delete Senator C. Tucker as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Add Senator Gilmore as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1865 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 602 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 602

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT INSURANCE COMPANIES AND APPRAISERS FROM REQUIRING AN INSURED TO USE CERTAIN FACILITIES TO REPAIR OR REPLACE DAMAGED MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY GLASS; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 602 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 602. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Payton, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Love, C. Penzo, Rice, Sullivan.

Total 8

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 602 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 603 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 603
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN AIR AMBULANCE TO CONTACT THE ARKANSAS TRAUMA SYSTEM FOR DIRECTION ON THE BEST DESTINATION TO TRANSPORT A PERSON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 603 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 603. Motion carried.

Senator Payton spoke for the bill.
Senator Tucker closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 603 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 604 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 604
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE REGARDING THE COURSE CHOICE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 604 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 604. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 604 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 610 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 610

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EAVES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE GENERATING ARKANSAS JOBS ACT OF 2025; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 610 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Scott.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 610, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Scott.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 610 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 612 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 612
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR THE USE OF A DESIGN, ALGORITHM, OR FEATURE BY A SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM THAT CAUSES HARM; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM THAT KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY CONTRIBUTES TO THE SUICIDE OR ATTEMPTED SUICIDE OF A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 612 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 612.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 612 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 615 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 615

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENERGY; TO REGULATE NONEXPORT FACILITIES; TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NONEXPORT FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 615 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

Senator McKee spoke for the bill.

Senator Penzo closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dees, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 12

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, McKee, Petty, Rice, Stone, Wallace.

Total 17

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Payton.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers, Johnson, B., Sullivan.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 615 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 8, 2025.

On motion of Senator McKee, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1800 at this time.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1800 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1800

Amend House Bill No. 1800 as engrossed H4/1/25:

Page 1, delete line 11, and substitute "REPRESENTATIVE OF A HOSTILE FOREIGN PRINCIPAL; TO"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE; TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF A HOSTILE FOREIGN PRINCIPAL; AND TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990."

AND

Delete SECTION 5 in its entirety, and substitute the following:

Subchapter 11 —— Disclosure by Representatives of a Hostile Foreign Principal

21-8-1101. Legislative findings.

The General Assembly finds that:

(1) The voters, citizens, and policymakers of this state are entitled to transparency in the political and propaganda activities of organizations that may be controlled by or under the influence of foreign countries hostile to the interests of this state and of the United States;

(2) In an increasingly globalized world, determining whether an organization's political and propaganda activities are funded by hostile foreign interests is often difficult; and

(3) Legislation is needed to ensure the transparency necessary to allow voters, citizens, and policymakers to evaluate whether political and propaganda activities are funded by potentially hostile foreign actors.

21-8-1102. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(1) "Foreign-supported political organization" means a political party or a domestic partnership, association, corporation, organization, or any other combination of persons that has, within the past five (5) calendar years, received money or other things of value from a hostile foreign principal or a representative of a hostile foreign principal and that engages in political activity;

(2) "Hostile foreign nation" means the:

(A) People's Republic of China;

(B) Russian Federation;

(C) Democratic People's Republic of Korea; or

(D) Islamic Republic of Iran;

(3) “Hostile foreign principal” means:

(A) A government of a hostile foreign nation, a political party of a hostile foreign nation, or any member of a political party of a hostile foreign nation;

(B) A nonresident alien of a hostile foreign nation; or

(C) A partnership, association, corporation, organization, or other combination of persons organized under the law of or having its principal place of business in a hostile foreign nation;

(4) “Political activity” means an activity that is performed to influence an agency or public official of this state, a local government entity within this state, or the public within this state, with reference to:

(A) Formulating, adopting, or changing the policies or laws of this state; or

(B) Electing or opposing a candidate for local or state public office, not including campaign donations; and

(5) “Representative of a hostile foreign principal” means a person:

(A) Who acts as an agent, employee, representative, or servant, or otherwise acts at the order, request, or under the direction or control of a hostile foreign principal;

(B) Whose actions are financed in whole or in part by a hostile foreign principal; and

(C) Who engages in political activity.

21-8-1103. Transparency in representation of hostile foreign principals.

(a)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, a person shall not act as a representative of a hostile foreign principal unless the person has filed a true and complete registration statement with the Secretary of State as required by this subchapter.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person who becomes a representative of a hostile foreign principal shall file a registration statement under oath with the Secretary of State within ten (10) days of the person's becoming a representative of a hostile foreign principal.

(3) The obligation of a representative of a hostile foreign principal to file a registration statement, after the tenth day of becoming a representative of a hostile foreign principal, shall continue from day to day, and termination of status as a representative of a hostile foreign principal shall not relieve the representative of a hostile foreign principal from the obligation to file a registration statement for the period during which he or she was a representative of a hostile foreign principal.

(b) The registration statement required under this section shall include the following:

(1) The registrant's:

(A) Name;

(B) Principal business address;

(C) Other business addresses in the United States or elsewhere; and

(D) Residence addresses, if any; and

(2) A comprehensive statement of the nature of the registrant's business.

(c) A registered representative of a hostile foreign principal under this subchapter shall update the registration statement required under this section no less frequently than quarterly.

21-8-1104. Transparency in foreign-supported political organizations.

(a) No later than January 31, 2026, and each following year, each foreign-supported political organization shall register with the Secretary of State and provide the following information:

(1) The name of the foreign-supported political organization, its business address, and upon request the names, titles, and addresses of all officers and directors of the foreign-supported political organization;

(2) If the foreign-supported political organization is affiliated with or a chapter of a national organization, the name of the national organization, its address, and the names and addresses of its officers and directors;

(3) A detailed statement of any expenditures of money or other things of value made by the foreign-supported political organization within the prior calendar year to influence an agency or public official of this state, a local government entity within this state, or the public within this state, with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the policies or laws of this state or electing a candidate to local or state public office; and

(4) A detailed statement of all money or other thing of value received by the foreign-supported political organization from a hostile foreign principal or a representative of a hostile foreign principal during the prior calendar year.

(b) A foreign-supported political organization under this subchapter shall update the registration statement required under this section no less frequently than annually.

21-8-1105. Penalties for violation.

(a) Upon receipt of a complaint that a representative of a hostile foreign principal or a foreign-supported political organization has failed to comply with the registration and reporting requirements of this subchapter, or upon his or her own determination, the Secretary of State may investigate and assess penalties for the violation of this subchapter.

(b) The Secretary of State may assess the following civil penalties:

(1) For any violation of this subchapter, up to five hundred dollars ($500) per violation; and

(2) For willful or repeated violations of this subchapter, up to two thousand dollars ($2,000) per violation.

21-8-1106. Rules.

The Secretary of State shall promulgate rules to:

(1) Create and maintain registration statement forms as described under this subchapter; and

(2) Implement this subchapter."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT MCKEE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1800 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1865, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR ALAN CLARK
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON
SENATOR KIM HAMMER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE NO. 1934, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON
SENATOR KIM HAMMER

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 615 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 5:12 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 618 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 618
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS STUDENT DUE PROCESS AND PROTECTION ACT; TO REQUIRE AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO INFORM A STUDENT OF HIS OR HER RIGHT TO REPRESENTATION; TO AMEND THE TIME FRAME FOR APPEALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 618 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 618. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 618 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 619 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 619

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WALKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF AN ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO ESTABLISH THE MEMBERSHIP OF AN ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; TO CREATE A FUNDING MECHANISM FOR A NEWLY FORMED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO DIRECT OWNERSHIP OF FACILITIES AND PROPERTY OF ISOLATED SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 619 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 619. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 619 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 620 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 620
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SAFETY VALVE FOR A MINOR DEFENDANT WHO IS ALSO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO AMEND THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT OF 2013; TO CREATE AN APPEAL RIGHT FOR A MINOR DEFENDANT WHO IS ALSO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 620 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 620.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 620 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 624 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 624
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. DOTSON
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; TO ALLOW A STUDENT TO TRANSFER TO ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL WITHIN HIS OR HER RESIDENT DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 624 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Dismang, Hester, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, English, Gilmore, King, Murdock, Payton, Rice.

Total 7

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Hammer, Leding, Love, McKee.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 624 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 627 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 627

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS IRVIN, *J. BRYANT*

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WOOLDRIDGE, COZART, MCGREW, ANDREWS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ASSIST THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING; TO REPEAL THE ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR AND AIR CONDITIONING ELECTRICIAN LICENSES; TO TRANSFER AND UPGRADE THE CLASS C HVACR LICENSE; TO IMPROVE THE LICENSING OF APPRENTICE ELECTRICIANS; TO HELP THE ELEVATOR OWNERS SATISFY TESTING REQUIREMENTS; TO CLARIFY ANNUAL LICENSING RENEWAL PERIODS; TO AID IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE'S ELECTRICIAN, HVACR, ELEVATOR, AND BOILER SAFETY LAWS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 627 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 627. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Scott.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 627 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Bill No. 629 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 629
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW AN OFFICER OF A CLOSELY HELD CORPORATION TO REPRESENT THE CORPORATION IN COURT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVICTION PROCEEDINGS AND UNLAWFUL DETAINER PROCEEDINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 629 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 629. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 629 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 8, 2025.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 2 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 2 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 2
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE STATEWIDE FLUORIDATION PROGRAM; TO REMOVE THE MANDATE FOR WATER SYSTEMS TO MAINTAIN A FLUORIDE CONTENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 2 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total.....18

NEGATIVE: Dismang, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Davis, English, Murdock, Payton.

Total.....5

EXCUSED:

Total..... 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Tota..... 10

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the passage of the bill.....18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No .2 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 258 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 258

As Engrossed: S2/27/25 S3/13/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS DIGITAL RESPONSIBILITY, SAFETY, AND TRUST ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 258 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill spoke on the bill.

Senator Penzo closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Clark, Dees, Johnson, M., King, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 11

NEGATIVE: Flippo, Hickey, Hill.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Crowell, English, Johnson, B., McKee, Rice, Tucker.

Total 7

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd, Caldwell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 14

Total number of votes cast.....28
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 258 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 8, 2025.

On motion of Senator Petty, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 456.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 456 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 456
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE HOME OPPORTUNITIES MADE EASIER ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Petty requested Senate Bill No. 456 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 456 referred to the Interim Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 468 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 468

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FLUORIDATION OF A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM; TO ALLOWS VOTERS TO ELECT "FOR" OR "AGAINST" WATER FLUORIDATION IN THE COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 468 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dotson, King, C. Penzo, Petty, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 9

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dismang, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 17

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Flippo, Hammer, Johnson, B., McKee, Payton, Rice.

Total 8

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 27

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Sullivan, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 520 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 520

As Engrossed: S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION OFFICES, OFFICERS, POLICIES, OR PRACTICES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 520 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Murdock spoke against the bill.

Senator Sullivan closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hester, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Dismang, English, Payton.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Petty.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 520 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 591 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 591

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT RACE-SELECTION ABORTION IN THIS STATE; TO CREATE THE RACE DISCRIMINATION BY ABORTION PROHIBITION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 591 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin spoke against the bill.

Senator Penzo closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Stone, Stubblefield.

Total 15

NEGATIVE: Davis, Flowers, Hickey, Irvin, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Dismang, English, Flippo, Payton, Rice.

Total 7

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Hill, Petty, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 591 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 8, 2025.

On motion of Senator Petty, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 574 at this time.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 574 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 574

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A MUNICIPALITY THAT OPERATES A WATERWORKS SYSTEM OR SEWAGE SYSTEM TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO COUNTY PROPERTY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 574 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 574.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Murdock, Wallace.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Irvin, C. Penzo, Scott.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 574 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 613 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 613

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, B. KING

BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE AN ELECTION PROCEDURE TO DETERMINE FLUORIDATION OF A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 613 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke against the bill.

Senator Dismang spoke for the bill.

Senator Penzo closed for the bill.

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 613. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 613 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hickey, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 626 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hickey, Senate Bill No. 626 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 626

Amend Senate Bill No. 626 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 30 through 35, and substitute the following:

"(1) Arkansas's healthcare providers are at a significant disadvantage as a result of national reimbursement methodologies and receive some of the lowest commercial rates in the country;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 14 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly to:

(1) Ensure fair and equitable reimbursement rates for healthcare clinics, hospitals, medical or imaging services performed at licensed ambulatory surgical centers, outpatient psychiatric centers, and outpatient imaging facilities; and

(2) Require insurers to:

(A) Reimburse healthcare clinics, hospitals, medical or imaging services performed at licensed ambulatory surgical centers, outpatient psychiatric centers, and outpatient imaging facilities fairly and equitably;

(B) Disclose the insurer's reimbursement methodologies; and

(C) Ensure minimum reimbursement rates for healthcare clinics, hospitals, medical or imaging services performed at licensed ambulatory surgical centers, outpatient psychiatric centers, and outpatient imaging facilities."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 36, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 99, is amended to add an

additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter 20 — Minimum Reimbursement Rates for Healthcare Services

23-99-2001. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(1) "Adjoining states" means Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas;

(2) "Ambulatory surgery center" means an entity certified by the Department of Health as an ambulatory surgery center that operates for the purpose of providing surgical services to patients;

(3)(A) "Equivalent Medicare reimbursement" means the amount, based on prevailing reimbursement rates and methodologies, that a healthcare provider or health system is entitled to for healthcare services.

(B)(i) "Equivalent Medicare reimbursement" includes services that are not covered by Medicare or are set locally by Medicare contractors.

(ii) Services under this subdivision (3) will be priced at the healthcare provider's overall prevailing Medicare reimbursement collection-to-charge ratio;

(4)(A) "Health benefit plan" means an individual, blanket, or group plan, policy, or contract for healthcare services issued, renewed, or extended in this state by a healthcare insurer.

(B) "Health benefit plan" includes any group plan, policy, or contract for healthcare services issued outside this state that provides benefits to residents of this state.

(C) "Health benefit plan" does not include:

(i) A plan that provides only dental benefits;

(ii) A plan that provides only eye and vision benefits;

(iii) A disability income plan;

(iv) A credit insurance plan;

(v) Insurance coverage issued as a supplement to liability insurance;

(vi) Medical payments under an automobile or homeowners' insurance plan;

(vii) A health benefit plan provided under Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 32, the Workers' Compensation Law, § 11-9-101 et seq., or the Public Employee Workers' Compensation Act, § 21-5-601 et seq.;

(viii) A plan that provides only indemnity for hospital confinement;

(ix) An accident-only plan;

(x) A specified disease plan;

(xi) A policy, contract, certificate, or agreement offered or issued by a healthcare insurer to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any of the costs of healthcare services, including pharmacy benefits, to an entity of the state under § 21-5-401 et seq;

(xii) A qualified health plan that is a health benefit plan under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, and purchased on the Arkansas Health Insurance Marketplace created under the Arkansas Health Insurance Marketplace Act, § 23-61-801 et seq., for an individual up to four hundred percent (400%) of the federal poverty level;

(xiii) A health benefit plan provided by a trust established under § 14-54-104 to provide benefits, including accident and health benefits, death benefits, dental benefits, and disability income benefits;

(xiv) A long-term care insurance plan; or

(xv) A health benefit plan provided by an institution of higher education;

(5) "Health system" means an organization that owns or operates more than one (1) hospital;

(6)(A) "Healthcare insurer" means an entity that is authorized by this state to offer or provide health benefit plans, policies, subscriber contracts, or any other contracts of a similar nature that indemnify or compensate a healthcare provider for the provision of healthcare services.

(B) "Healthcare insurer" includes without limitation:

(i) An insurance company;

(ii) A health maintenance organization;

(iii) A hospital and medical service corporation; and

(iv) An entity that provides or administers a self-funded health benefit plan.

(C) "Healthcare insurer" does not include:

(i) The Arkansas Medicaid Program;

(ii) The Arkansas Health and Opportunity for Me Program under the Arkansas Health and Opportunity for Me Act of 2021, § 23-61-1001 et seq., or any successor program;

(iii) A provider-led Arkansas shared savings entity;

(iv) An entity that offers a plan providing health benefits to state and public school employees under § 21-5-401 et seq.; or

(v) An entity that offers a plan providing health benefits to an institution of higher education;

(7) "Healthcare provider" means:

(A) A hospital;

(B) A health system;

(C) A physician;

(D)(i) A physician extender.

(ii) A physician extender includes without limitation:

(a) A physician assistant who is licensed in this state;

(b) A nurse practitioner who is licensed in this state;

(c) An advanced practice nurse who is licensed in

this state; and

(d) A certified midwife who is licensed in this state;

(E) A licensed ambulatory surgery center; and

(F) An outpatient facility that performs healthcare services, including without limitation primary care clinics, urgent care centers, specialty clinics, dialysis centers, and imaging centers;

(8) "Healthcare service" means a service or good that is provided for the purpose of or incidental to the purpose of preventing, diagnosing, treating, alleviating curing, or healing human illness, disease, condition, disability, or injury;

(9) “Hospital” means a healthcare facility licensed as a hospital by the Division of Health Facilities Services under § 20-9-213;

(10) "Minimum reimbursement level" means the minimum ratio of reimbursement to equivalent Medicare reimbursement that a healthcare provider or health system is entitled to by a healthcare insurer for healthcare services;

(11) "Outpatient imaging facility" means a healthcare facility or provider that provides diagnostic and advanced imaging services to patients and uses Current Procedural Terminology codes 70010–79999 to bill for the facility component of imaging services;

(12) "Physician" means a person authorized or licensed to practice medicine under the Arkansas Medical Practices Act, § 17-95-201 et seq., § 17-95-301 et seq., and § 17-95-401 et seq.; and

(13) "Reimbursement rate" means the amount that a healthcare provider is entitled to receive for healthcare services.

23-99-2002. Minimum reimbursement level.

(a)(1) A health benefit plan shall reimburse a healthcare provider that provides a healthcare service the minimum reimbursement level for the healthcare service as determined by the Insurance Commissioner.

(2) The commissioner is not required to establish a minimum reimbursement level for each healthcare service.

(3) The minimum reimbursement level shall be established at the healthcare provider's contract level based on the healthcare provider's specific compliment of services.

(b) The minimum reimbursement level under subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall be phased in according to the schedule below:

(1) On or after January 1, 2026, forty-five percent (45%);

(2) On or after January 1, 2027, fifty-five percent (55%);

(3) On or after January 1, 2028, sixty-five percent (65%);

(4) On or after January 1, 2029, seventy-five percent (75%); and

(5) On or after January 1, 2030, one hundred percent (100%).

(c)(1) The commissioner shall determine the minimum reimbursement level for a healthcare service by calculating the weighted average ratio of commercial prices as a percentage of Medicare reimbursement for the healthcare service in adjoining states as derived from the RAND Corporation's Prices Paid to Hospitals by

Private Plans findings as adopted by rule of the commissioner.

(2) If the RAND Corporation's Prices Paid to Hospitals by Private Plans findings are discontinued, delayed, or deemed unsuitable by the commissioner, the commissioner shall compute an adjusted ratio of commercial prices as a percentage of Medicare by applying a factor of the annual change in the Consumer Price Index: Medical Care, commonly known as the "medical care index", published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics and adopted by rule of the commissioner to the weighted average increase of Medicare reimbursement for a healthcare provider to the most recently published minimum reimbursement level.

(d) Beginning September 1, 2025, the commissioner shall publish annually on the State Insurance Department's website the minimum reimbursement level as determined under subsection (c) of this section.

23-99-2003. Disclosures.

(a)(1) A healthcare insurer shall document compliance with this subchapter for each healthcare provider.

(2) A healthcare insurer shall include documentation of compliance required in subdivision (a)(1) of this section for each health benefit plan offered by the healthcare insurer to a healthcare provider.

(b)(1) A healthcare insurer shall disclose to each contracted healthcare provider summary documentation, including the supporting detailed calculations and assumptions.

(2) The summary documentation under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be made available to:

(A) The contracted healthcare provider before the execution or renewal of a contract and within fifteen (15) days of a formal request; and

(B) The Insurance Commissioner within fifteen (15) days of a formal request.

23-99-2004. Enforcement.

(a) A dispute under this subchapter shall be filed with the Insurance Commissioner.

(b)(1) After notice and opportunity for a hearing, if a healthcare insurer or a health benefit plan is found to have violated this subchapter, the commissioner may revoke or suspend the authority of the healthcare insurer or health benefit plan to do business in this state.

(2) The commissioner shall rule on a dispute within sixty (60) days.

(c) A healthcare insurer or health benefit plan that has violated this subchapter shall be required to repay the healthcare provider all amounts in violation of this subchapter plus eight percent (8%) interest and five percent (5%) in administrative fees, inclusive of amounts otherwise due from the patient.

23-99-2005. Prohibition on pricing increases.

(a) Before a healthcare insurer’s implementation of an increase in premium

rates, cost sharing, or per-member-per-month costs or payments for rates or insurance policies that are required to be reviewed by the Insurance Commissioner under §§ 23-79-109 and 23-79-110, the commissioner shall consider the following additional factors in his or her review:

(1) The extent to which the healthcare insurer's RBC level as defined in § 23-63-1302 is less than six hundred fifty percent (650%); and

(2)(A) To the extent permitted by federal law, whether the healthcare insurer's medical loss ratio is greater than eighty-five percent (85%) on clinical services and quality improvement.

(B) The calculation of medical claims and quality improvements for a healthcare insurer's medical loss ratio under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section should exclude:

(i) Any performance-based compensation, bonus, or other financial incentive paid directly or indirectly to a contracting entity employee, affiliate, contractor, or other entity or individual;

(ii) Any expense associated with carrying enrollee medical debt; and

(iii) Cost sharing.

(b) A healthcare insurer in the fully insured group market shall consider the factors in subsection (a) of this section before implementing an increased premium rate, cost sharing, or enrollee per-member-per-month fee.

23-99-2006. Rules.

The Insurance Commissioner may promulgate rules to implement and enforce this subchapter.

23-99-2007. Remedies and penalties.

(a) This subchapter shall not be waived by contract.

(b) An agreement or other arrangement that violates this subchapter is void.

(c) All remedies, penalties, and authority granted to the Insurance Commissioner under the Trade Practices Act, § 23-66-201 et seq., including the award of restitution and damages, shall be made available to the commissioner for the enforcement of this subchapter.

(d) A violation of this section is a deceptive act, as defined by the Trade Practices Act, § 23-66-201 et seq., and § 4-88-101 et seq. except that the statute of limitations for private causes of action against an insurer by a healthcare provider shall be five (5) years for a violation of this section."

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Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read for the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 626 was ordered engrossed.

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 258 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 591 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

Senator Leding moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 585 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 478 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 478
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS DIESEL ENGINE FREEDOM ACT OF 2025; TO PROHIBIT STATE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL REGULATION OF CERTAIN TYPES OF DIESEL ENGINES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 478 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 478. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 478 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam. President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON
SENATOR KIM HAMMER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on SENATE EFFICIENCY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 346, BY SENATE EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1800, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1800 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 7:16 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1062 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1062

As Engrossed: H1/15/25 H2/3/25 H2/18/25 H2/26/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE TEACHER AND STUDENT PROTECTION ACT OF 2025; TO PROHIBIT A STUDENT WHO IS REMOVED FROM A CLASSROOM DUE TO VIOLENT OR ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR AGAINST A TEACHER OR ANOTHER STUDENT FROM BEING PLACED IN A CLASS WITH THE TEACHER OR STUDENT AGAINST WHOM THE VIOLENT OR ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR WAS DIRECTED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1062 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1062. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1062 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1079 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1079

As Engrossed: H1/30/25 H3/17/25 S4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES F. ALLEN, WOOTEN, K. FERGUSON, J. RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR GENETIC TESTING FOR AN INHERITED GENE MUTATION FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS; TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR EVIDENCE-BASED CANCER IMAGING FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1079 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1079. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1079 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Tucker, and without objection, the Senate was requested to return Senate Bill No. 629 for further consideration.

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April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks

The Senate respectfully requests the return of Senate Bill No. 629 to the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL. DIRECTOR
Secretary of the Senate

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, House Bill No. 1072 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1072

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES C. COOPER, *BREAUX, CRAWFORD, DUFFIELD, S. MEEKS, RICHMOND, UNGER, D. WHITAKER*

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1072 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1072. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1072 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1255 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1255
As Engrossed: S4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE COVERAGE OF A CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITOR IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1255 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1255. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No.1255 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1333 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1333

As Engrossed: H2/3/25 H3/12/25 H3/13/25 H3/20/25 S4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, D. GARNER, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, CAVENAUGH, ENNETT, GONZALES WORTHEN, J. MAYBERRY, MCCULLOUGH, T. SHEPHARD, SPRINGER, CLOWNEY

BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, *IRVIN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR BREASTFEEDING AND LACTATION CONSULTANT SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1333 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1333. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1333 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1344 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1344
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS *TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO CORRECT THE NAME OF THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF UNDER TITLE 24 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1344 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1344. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1344, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1344 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1467 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1467

As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES ACHOR, *MCCOLLUM*

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM MONEY SERVICES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1467 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1467. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1467 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1515 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1515

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY *TO ORDER THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD INTO SERVICE; TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD FOR* MATTERS RELATED TO MILITARY JUSTICE AND TO ADDRESS STAFFING SHORTAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1515 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1515. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1515 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1522 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1522

As Engrossed: H2/25/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN FUNDS TO MUNICIPALITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW TO ALLOW FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS IN THE MUNICIPAL AID FUND, TURNBACK FUNDS, AND COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX REVENUES TO NEWLY INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1522 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1522. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1522, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1522 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1526 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1526

As Engrossed: H3/6/25 H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PAINTER, RAY

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY TO ENTER INTO PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GIFTS RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1526 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1526. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1526 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1594 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1594
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GROSS RECEIPTS TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES; TO CREATE A FARMER SALES TAX IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO RELIEVE A SELLER OF SALES TAX REMITTANCE LIABILITY UPON GOOD FAITH ACCEPTANCE OF A FARMER SALES TAX IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1594 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1594. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1594 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1630 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1630

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAPITAL MURDER, MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, AND MANSLAUGHTER; TO ADD A MISDEMEANOR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OFFENSE TO THE PREDICATE OFFENSES FOR CAPITAL MURDER, MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, AND MANSLAUGHTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1630 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1630. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1630 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1641 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1641
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HARASSMENT; TO INCLUDE THE USE OF A TRACKING DEVICE IN THE OFFENSE OF HARASSMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1641 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator Davis closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 20

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson, Johnson, M., C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Payton.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Flippo, McKee, Sullivan.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1641 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Clark requested sounding of the ballot in the passage of House Bill No. 1641. Five hands seen. Secretary sounded ballot results as follows:

Yea 18 Nay 6 Present 4 Non Voting 5 Excused 0

The results of the sounding of the ballot passed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, House Bill No. 1645 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1645

As Engrossed: H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MICROBREWERY-RESTAURANT PRIVATE CLUB PERMITS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ADVERTISING BY A MICROBREWERY-RESTAURANT PRIVATE CLUB; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1645 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1645. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Love, Stubblefield.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Crowell, Flowers, Hammer, Rice, Sullivan.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1645 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1681 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1681
As Engrossed: H3/11/25 H3/18/25 S4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, MILLIGAN, ACHOR, F. ALLEN, ANDREWS, BARKER, BARNES, BARNETT, BEATY JR., BECK, BENTLEY, S. BERRY, BREAUX, BROOKS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, CLOWNEY, A. COLLINS, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, DUFFIELD, EATON, ENNETT, EUBANKS, EVANS, K. FERGUSON, FURMAN, D. GARNER, GAZAWAY, GONZALES, GONZALES WORTHEN, GRAMLICH, HALL, HAWK, HENLEY, HOLCOMB, HOLLOWELL, HUDSON, L. JOHNSON, LADYMAN, LONG, MADDOX, MAGIE, MCALINDON, MCCLURE MCCULLOUGH, M. MCELROY, MCGREW, MCGRUDER, MCNAIR, S. MEEKS, J. MOORE, K. MOORE, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PEARCE, PURYEAR, J. RICHARDSON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SCHULZ, T. SHEPHARD, SPRINGER, STEELE, STEIMEL, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, WALKER, WARREN, D. WHITAKER, WING, WOOLDRIDGE, WOOTEN, *DUKE*
BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, HESTER, *J. BOYD, CALDWELL, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, G. LEDING. F. LOVE, M. MCKEE, R. MURDOCK, J. PETTY, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING THE ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION; TO ESTABLISH THE WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM; TO CREATE THE WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM *FUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER* PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1681 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1681. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Hickey.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1681, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Hickey.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1681 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1690 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1690
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE NUCLEAR PLANNING AND RESPONSE PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1690 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1690. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1690, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1690 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1696 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1696

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ESTABLISH THE STRENGTHENING ARKANSAS EDUCATION ACT; TO PROVIDE A CORE CURRICULUM AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1696 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1696. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1696 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1700 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1700
As Engrossed: S4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS OF AN ADVERSE DETERMINATION NOTICE UNDER THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1700 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1700. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1700 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1743 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1743
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS FEED LAW OF 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1743 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1743. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1743 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1789 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1789
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO RESTRICT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ISSUING AN IDENTIFICATION CARD TO AN INDIVIDUAL IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1789 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Bryant closed for the bill.

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1789. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1789 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1794 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1794
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUKE, HAWK
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE LICENSEES; TO CREATE CONTINUING EDUCATION EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1794 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1794. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1794 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1802 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1802
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARREN, ET AL
BY: SENATORS J. PETTY, K. HAMMER, R. MURDOCK, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE TALENT RECRUITMENT GRANT PROGRAM; TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES FOR INDIVIDUALS TO RELOCATE TO THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1802 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1802. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Gilmore, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., C. Penzo, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Flippo, Flowers, Johnson, B., McKee, Rice, Scott.

Total 7

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1802 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Leding requested leave for Senator King. Leave granted.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1803 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1803

As Engrossed: S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES JOEY CARR, ET AL

BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, J. BRYANT, *M. JOHNSON*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT ON THE STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS IN RECOGNITION AND HONOR OF MAURICE LEE “FOOTSIE” BRITT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1803 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Mark Johnson spoke for the bill.

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1803. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1803 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1814 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1814
As Engrossed: S4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OVER UTILITIES; TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "PUBLIC UTILITY" UNDER TITLE 14, CHAPTER 200; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1814 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1814. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1814 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1148 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1148
As Engrossed: H2/5/25 H2/10/25 H2/17/25 H3/4/25 H3/11/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PRIVACY ACT; TO ADDRESS CERTAIN IMAGES CAPTURED BY UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1148 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1148. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dotson.

Total 1

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1148 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1193 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193

As Engrossed: H1/27/25 H1/30/25 S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO INCLUDE A LIENHOLDER ON PAYMENTS MADE UNDER AN INSURANCE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1193 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Clark, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., McKee, Petty, Tucker.

Total 7

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, C. Penzo, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 15

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Crowell, Dismang, English, Love, Payton, Sullivan.

Total 6

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Murdock, Rice.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1193 was returned to the House having failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1241 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1241

As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, *L. JOHNSON*

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM REIMBURSES FOR DENTAL AND ANESTHESIA COSTS FOR HIGH COMPLEXITY ORAL HEALTH CARE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1241 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1241. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dotson.

Total 1

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1241 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1296 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1296

As Engrossed: H2/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES PROVIDED IN MOBILE UNITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1296 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1296. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1296 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1525 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1525
As Engrossed: H3/5/25 S4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY; TO ADDRESS AGRICULTURAL IMPACT REMEDIATION AGREEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1525 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1525. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1525 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1352 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1352

As Engrossed: H3/3/25 H3/5/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BEATY, JR., *ACHOR, ET AL*

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS CONCERNING ACTIONS RELATED TO CERTAIN FOREIGN ENTITIES; TO WITHHOLD FUNDING FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH A CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE OR SIMILAR INSTITUTE RELATED TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA; TO PROHIBIT A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM INVESTING IN CHINESE FUNDS; TO PROHIBIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SISTER CITIES WITH CERTAIN PROHIBITED FOREIGN PARTIES; TO PROHIBIT THE INVESTMENT OF RETIREMENT AND PENSION FUNDS IN CHINESE FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1352 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1352. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1352 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1424 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1424

As Engrossed: H2/27/25 S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR SEVERE OBESITY TREATMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1424 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, C. Penzo.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Murdock, Payton.

Total 4

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Davis.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1424 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1426 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1426

As Engrossed: H2/10/25 H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE INSURER" UNDER THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; TO CLARIFY THE PROHIBITION ON LEASING A HEALTHCARE CONTRACT OR PROVIDER NETWORK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1426 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1426. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1426 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1429 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1429
As Engrossed: H3/4/25 S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, *L. JOHNSON*
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO INCREASE ACCESSIBILITY WHILE ENSURING QUALITY FOR CERTAIN FACILITIES PERFORMING MAMMOGRAPHY SERVICES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE QUALITY STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION OF FACILITIES FOR MAMMOGRAPHY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1429 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1429. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1429 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1470 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1470
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.,
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING THE REVIEW OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1470 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1470. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1470 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1519 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1519
As Engrossed: H3/11/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HIRING AND CONTRACTING OF EMPLOYEES FOR THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, STATE BANK DEPARTMENT, AND STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1519 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell spoke against the bill.
Senator Gilmore closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hester, Johnson, B., McKee, Petty, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 13

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Flippo, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, M., C. Penzo, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, English, Irvin, Leding, Love, Payton.

Total 6

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Murdock.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Gilmore moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1519 failed be expunged, the motion failed.

House Bill No. 1519 returned to House having failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1531 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1531

As Engrossed: H3/18/25 H3/31/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURERS FROM RESTRICTING OR LIMITING PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS TO A LIMITED DISTRIBUTION NETWORK OF OUT-OF-STATE PHARMACIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1531 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1531. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1531 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1602 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1602
As Engrossed: H3/13/25 S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO ESTABLISH FEES UNDER THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER UNDER THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LICENSURE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1602 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1602. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Hill, Irvin, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1602 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1604 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1604

As Engrossed: H3/17/25 S3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, *ACHOR, ET AL*

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROHIBITED CONTRACTS BY STATE AGENCIES; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY STATE AGENCIES TO PURCHASE PROMOTIONAL ITEMS MADE IN CHINA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1604 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1604. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1604 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1694 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1694
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALTERNATIVES TO ELECTRONIC FILING FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1694 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1694. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1694 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1701 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1701

As Engrossed: H3/20/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SEWER COLLECTION AND SEWER TREATMENT PROVIDERS AND RELATED SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1701 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stubblefield moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1701. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Gilmore.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1701 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1703 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1703
As Engrossed: H3/18/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE A DRUG REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS FOR CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1703 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1703. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1703 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, House Bill No. 1713 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1713

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, ET AL

BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, GILMORE, K. HAMMER, HESTER, M. MCKEE, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING OF AN ORIGINAL DRAFT BEFORE CIRCULATION AS AN INITIATIVE PETITION OR REFERENDUM PETITION; TO REQUIRE BALLOT TITLES FOR INITIATED MEASURES TO BE AT OR UNDER A CERTAIN READING LEVEL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1713 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

Senator M. Johnson closed for the bill.

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1713. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dismang, Flowers, Leding, Murdock, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1713, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dismang, Flowers, Leding, Murdock, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1713 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1736 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1736
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE 9 OF THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1736 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1736. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1736 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1737 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1737
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRANSMITTING UTILITY ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "TRANSMITTING UTILITY" TO INCLUDE FIBER OPTIC AND BROADBAND LINES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1737 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1737. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1737 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1740 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1740
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, ET AL
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING AGRICULTURE; TO EXEMPT CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1740 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1740. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 27

NEGATIVE: Bryant, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Tucker.
Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:
Total 0

EXCUSED: King.
Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flippo, Rice.
Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1740 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Murdock, House Bill No. 1771 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1771

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY

BY: SENATOR R. MURDOCK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURES TO POLICYHOLDERS; TO REQUIRE MONTHLY REPORTING BY INSURERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1771 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Murdock moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1771. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, McKee, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1771 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1774 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1774

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1774 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1774. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1774 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1788 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1788

As Engrossed: H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO REDUCE THE TIME ALLOWED FOR PROCESSING AN APPLICATION OF A PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1788 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1788. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1788 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1797 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1797
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO CLARIFY THE ROLE OF THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO EXEMPT THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE *AUTHORITY FROM CERTAIN STATE REGULATIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1797 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell spoke against the bill.
Senator Petty spoke for the bill.
Senator Tucker spoke for the bill.
Senator Gilmore closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Hickey, Hill, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Clark, Crowell, English, Leding, Payton.

Total 6

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flippo, Flowers.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 28

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1797, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Hickey, Hill, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Clark, Crowell, English, Leding, Payton.

Total 6

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flippo, Flowers.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....28

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Gilmore moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause on House Bill No. 1797 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1792 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 8, 2025.

Senator Rice requested a Sounding of the Ballot on the failure to pass the Emergency Clause on House Bill No. 1797. Five hands were seen, whereupon the Secretary sounded the ballot. Results are as follows:

Total number of votes cast	28
Necessary to the passage of the Bill	17
Total number voting in the affirmative	17
Total number voting in the negative	6
Total number absent or not voting	5

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AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 17

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Hickey, Hill, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Clark, Crowell, English, Leding, Payton Murdock, Love.

Total 6

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flippo, Flowers, Love and Murdock.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 28

Necessary votes for Sounding of the Ballot.....18

So, the Sounding of the Ballot failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

A motion for a clincher failed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1808 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1808

As Engrossed: H3/20/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES A. COLLINS, *ANDREWS*

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS; TO CREATE THE BILL OF RIGHTS FOR FIREFIGHTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1808 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1808. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1808 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1820 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1820
As Engrossed: H4/1/25 S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE AUTOMATIC RENEWAL AND CONTINUOUS SERVICE OFFERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1820 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1820. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1820 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1821 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1821
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, ET AL
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, B. DAVIS, J. DISMANG, HESTER, HILL ,IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, J. PETTY, RICE STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A MORE SUSTAINABLE SYSTEM OF PROPERTY INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY; TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF PROPERTY RISK WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL INSURANCE ACT; TO REVISE THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MULTI-AGENCY INSURANCE TRUST FUND ACT; TO COMBINE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITH STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND STATE-OWNED PROPERTY UNDER A SINGLE PROGRAM TO ENSURE PROPER VALUATION FOR PROPERTY INSURANCE PURPOSES; TO CREATE THE STATE CAPTIVE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACT; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC ADJUSTING IN PROPERTY INSURANCE CLAIMS; TO ALLOW FOR THE CREATION OF A CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1821 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1821. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1821, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1821 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1859 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1859

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES ROSE, ET AL

BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MASTECTOMIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1859 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1859. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1859 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1679 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR

On motion of Senator Stone, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1688 at this time.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1688 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1688

As Engrossed: S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A DEALER'S EXTRA LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1688 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1688. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1688 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Stone, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1834 at this time.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1834 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1834

As Engrossed: H3/31/25 S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HOLCOMB, CAVENAUGH

BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1834 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1834. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: King.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1834 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 523 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 523 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 241 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 241 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 626, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 626 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 634
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, B. JOHNSON, A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DIVISION OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 634 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1008
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE AND COMMEND NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S NATIONALLY LEADING AND INDUSTRY-TRANSFORMING BICYCLE ASSEMBLY & REPAIR TECHNICIAN AND TRAIL TECHNICIAN PROGRAMS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1008 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1010

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPHARD

BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGING, CHILDREN AND YOUTH, AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AND THE SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH TO STUDY WAYS TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM FOR YOUTH COMMITTED TO THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1010 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1003

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: HOUSE MANAGEMENT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - STAFF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1003 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1063
As Engrossed: H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, *RAY*
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE PROGRAM ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF "DISABILITY CERTIFICATION" AND "ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL" TO CHANGE THE DISABILITY ONSET AGE FROM TWENTY-SIX TO FORTY-SIX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1063 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1265
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1265 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1433

As Engrossed: H2/12/25 H2/18/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES *K. MOORE, MCCULLOUGH, HUDSON*

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO IS EXECUTING OR SERVING AN ORDER OF PROTECTION TO SERVE ANY OUTSTANDING CRIMINAL WARRANTS RELATED TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR OFFENSES IN WHICH THE PETITIONER FOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION IS THE VICTIM OF THE OFFENSE SPECIFIED IN THE WARRANT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1433 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1485

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR SALES TO CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT VETERANS' FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1485 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1529

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES S. MEEKS, *ACHOR, BARNES, BARNETT, BEATY, JR., BECK, BENTLEY, BREAUX, BROOKS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, R. BURKES, CRAWFORD, EAVES, EUBANKS, FURMAN, GRAMLICH, HOLLOWELL, LADYMAN, LUNDSTRUM, LYNCH, MADDOX, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON, MCGREW, MCGRUDER, B. MCKENZIE, MILLIGAN, J. MOORE, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PEARCE, PILKINGTON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, M. SHEPHERD, UNDERWOOD, VAUGHT*

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING DEEPFAKE VISUAL MATERIAL OF A SEXUAL NATURE; TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF *UNLAWFUL CREATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF DEEPFAKE VISUAL MATERIAL; TO ESTABLISH A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR UNLAWFUL CREATION OF DEEPFAKE VISUAL MATERIAL;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1529 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1627

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BARNETT, A. COLLINS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; TO REQUIRE COUNTIES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS CONCERNING CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX RELIEF OFFERED UNDER ARKANSAS LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1627 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1672

As Engrossed: H3/31/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAWS CONCERNING THE DISTRICT OF INNOVATION PROGRAM; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO CREATE A MORE EFFICIENT SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF INNOVATION IN ARKANSAS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS QUALITY CHARTER SCHOOLS ACT OF 2013; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

.House Bill No. 1672 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1732

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, *ANDREWS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, JOEY CARR, CAVENAUGH, CLOWNEY, A. COLLINS, CRAWFORD, EAVES, D. GARNER, GRAMLICH, HOLCOMB, HUDSON, LADYMAN, MADDOX, MAGIE, MCCLURE, MCCULLOUGH, M. MCELROY, MCGREW, MCGRUDER, MCNAIR, MILLIGAN, J. MOORE, K. MOORE, PAINTER, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, RYE, SPRINGER, UNGER, WALKER, WARREN, D. WHITAKER, WOOLDRIDGE, WOOTEN*

BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, CROWELL, K. HAMMER, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TAX BENEFITS FOR TEACHERS; TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTION ALLOWED FOR A TEACHER'S CLASSROOM INVESTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1732 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1807

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EAVES, *A. COLLINS, M. BROWN, MAGIE, LUNDSTRUM*

BY: SENATORS J. PAYTON, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR AIRCRAFT HELD FOR RESALE AND USED FOR RENTAL OR CHARTER; TO CLARIFY THE PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR AIRCRAFT HELD FOR RESALE AND USED FOR RENTAL OR CHARTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1807 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1866

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE ELI'S LAW; TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL TO INSTALL AN AUDIO RECORDING DEVICE IN EACH LOCKER ROOM AND DRESSING ROOM ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAMPUS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1866 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1869
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE MATERNAL OUTCOMES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; TO ORGANIZE MATERNAL HEALTH RESOURCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1869 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1876
As Engrossed: H4/2/25 H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING THE OWNERSHIP OF MODEL TRAINING AND CONTENT GENERATED BY A GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1876 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1877

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES S. MEEKS, *ACHOR, BARNES, BARNETT, BEATY, JR., BECK, BENTLEY, BREAUX, BROOKS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, R. BURKES, CRAWFORD, EUBANKS, FURMAN, GRAMLICH, HOLLOWELL, LADYMAN, LUNDSTRUM, LYNCH, MADDOX, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON, MCGREW, MCGRUDER, B. MCKENZIE, MILLIGAN, J. MOORE, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PEARCE, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, M. SHEPHERD, UNDERWOOD, VAUGHT*

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL OFFENSES RELATED TO POSSESSION OF SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL THAT DEPICTS A CHILD; TO INCLUDE A COMPUTER GENERATED IMAGE THAT IS INDISTINGUISHABLE FROM THE IMAGE OF A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1877 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1918

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATORS J. DOTSON, *C. PENZO, M. MCKEE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SPECIE OR LEGAL TENDER; TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF A BULLION DEPOSITORY; TO ALLOW FOR A PRECIOUS METALS-BACKED ELECTRONIC SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1918 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1922
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003; TO CREATE AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR RELOCATING CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS TO THIS STATE; TO ENCOURAGE CORPORATIONS TO RELOCATE TO ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1922 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1931
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RECIDIVISM REDUCTION SYSTEM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1931 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1938
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE CREATION OF DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLANS AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1938 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1939
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TEACHER INCENTIVE AND MERIT PAY; TO AMEND REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING SUMMATIVE EVALUATIONS UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM; TO AMEND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE MERIT TEACHER INCENTIVE FUND PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1939 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1941
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF GOVERNMENT AND RESTRUCTURE AND REPEAL THE DUTIES OF CERTAIN BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; TO PROTECT ARKANSAS STUDENTS BY ENSURING THE EFFICIENT DISPOSITION OF ETHICS COMPLAINTS AGAINST TEACHERS; TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1941 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1944
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE ACT OF 2005; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE ARKANSAS EMS FOUNDATION; TO REPEAL THE GRAND LODGE OF ARKANSAS SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1944 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1946
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTRUCTION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1946 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1949
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS; TO ADD MEDICAL, EMERGENCY MEDICAL, AND AMBULANCE SERVICES TO THE LIST OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PURPOSES OF PROCUREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1949 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1951
As Engrossed: H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SET FORTH AUTHORIZED DOMAIN EXTENSIONS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION AND GOVERNMENT WEBSITES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1951 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1952
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ASSIST THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION TO CONTINUE ITS MISSION TO PROMOTE A ROBUST, HEALTHY, AND SAFE COMBATIVE SPORTS INDUSTRY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1952 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1964
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MOVE THE CHILD WELFARE OMBUDSMAN DIVISION FROM THE ARKANSAS CHILD ABUSE/RAPE/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION AND THE JUVENILE OMBUDSMAN DIVISION OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION FROM THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL AND RENAME AS THE DIVISION OF OMBUDSMEN; TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF THE CHILD WELFARE OMBUDSMAN AND THE OFFICE OF THE JUVENILE OMBUDSMAN; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1964 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1976
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING VERTIPORTS; TO CREATE THE OPEN ACCESS TO PUBLIC-USE VERTIPORTS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1976 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY& LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1981
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLICITY AND TOURISM; TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF "OUTDOOR RECREATION OPERATOR" AND "TRAMWAY OPERATOR UNDER THE LAW CONCERNING RECREATIONAL TRAMWAYS"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1981 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1983
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS
BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ACTS 1973, NO. 167, § 4, CONCERNING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY TO THE WESTARK AREA COUNCIL, INC., BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1983 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 25 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 37 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 39 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 88 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 125 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 127 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 322 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 348 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 359 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 510 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 529 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1803 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1808 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1814 AS AMENDED NO. 1
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AS PASSED AS AMENDED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1681 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE SENATE
AS REQUESTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
HAVING FAILED TO PASS

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193
HOUSE BILL NO. 1519

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1008
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1010

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

EIGHTY-SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 9, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor Jim Lagrone.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 346 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 346

Amend Senate Bill No. 346 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and replace with the following:

" SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - STAFF SERVICES. There is hereby established for the Arkansas Senate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	DIRECTOR OF SENATE/SEC OF SENATE	1	GRADE EXE01
(2)	SECRETARY OF SENATE	1	GRADE EXE01
(3)	CHIEF COUNSEL/PARLIAMENTARIAN	1	GRADE SPC09
(4)	CONSTITUENT SVCS	8	GRADE SPC07
(5)	COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC INFORMATION	2	GRADE SPC06
(6)	FISCAL OFFICER/EMPLOYEE BENEFITS LIAISON	1	GRADE SPC04
(7)	TECHNICAL SERVICES COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SPC04
(8)	LEGISLATIVE ASST/RECEPTIONIST/SESSION	3	GRADE SGS08
(9)	PROPERTIES OFFICER/INVENTORY	1	GRADE SGS07
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	19"	

AND

Page 3, line 29, delete "$700,000" and insert "$1,500,000".

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 346 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 614 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 614

Amend Senate Bill No. 614 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 3 through 11, and substitute the following:

"(B)(i) The circuit court shall impose a civil penalty of one thousand dollars ($1,000) on each individual member of the governing body, up to the entire membership of the governing body, who the circuit court finds committed or was otherwise responsible for the violation.

(ii) The civil penalty under subdivision (j)(2)(B)(i) of this section shall:

(a) Be paid to the claimant asserting the claim in circuit court within thirty (30) days of the finding of the circuit court under subdivision (j)(1) of this section; and

(b) Not be satisfied by public funds."

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 614 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1847 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1847

Amend House Bill No. 1847 as engrossed H4/2/25:

Page 2, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:
"(b) of this section shall be paid from amounts forfeited by:

(1) Self-excluded individuals under this section; and

(2) Persons otherwise excluded from a casino by the commission or a casino licensee."

AND

Page 3, delete line 15, and substitute the following:
"the self-exclusion list.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Effective date. This act is effective on and after July 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1847 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1886 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1886

Amend House Bill No. 1886 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAVID WALLACE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1886 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 84 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 84 was withdrawn by the author.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 283 was withdrawn by the author.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 592 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

Without objection, Senate Bill No. 592 was withdrawn by the author.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 9, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 8, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 391 - ACT 472
Senate Bill No. 100 - ACT 482
Senate Bill No. 264 - ACT 483
Senate Bill No. 293 - ACT 487
Senate Bill No. 365 - ACT 488
Senate Bill No. 305 - ACT 491
Senate Bill No. 411 - ACT 492
Senate Bill No. 416 - ACT 493
Senate Bill No. 392 - ACT 499

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 25, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO . 37, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 39, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO .88, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO.123, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO.125, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO.127, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO.148, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO.153, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO.160, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO.167, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO.237, SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO.252, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
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SENATE BILL NO.359, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO.361, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO.405, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO.407, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO.412, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO.421, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO.422, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.433, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO.440, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO.448, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO.463, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO.479, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

SENATE BILL NO.498, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO.503, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO.505, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO.510, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE BILL NO.529, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO.545, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO.564, BY SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 8:53 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 25
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SENATE BILL NO.564

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this ninth day of April, 2025 at 9:50 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 346, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
BY SENATE EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

SENATE BILL NO. 614, Amendment No. 1,
BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1847, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON
BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1886, BY REPRESENTATIVE PEARCE,
BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1580, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1646, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1672, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1728, BY REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1766, BY REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1786, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1793, BY REPRESENTATIVE DUKE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1805, BY REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1833, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1642, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1866, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1812, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended Nos. 1 & 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 441, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1433, BY REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1529, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1764, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1875, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

HOUSE BILL NO. 1895, BY REPRESENTATIVE DALBY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1921, BY REPRESENTATIVES TORRES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1931, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1964, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1433, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, PRESIDER

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1877, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1010,
BY REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPHARD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 72, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 92, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 362, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1627, BY REPRESENTATIVE BARNETT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1809, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARNER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1922, BY REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1937, BY REPRESENTATIVE JEAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 635
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AUTHORIZE BOTTLE LOCKERS IN CERTAIN RESTAURANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 635 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 400 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 400 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 400

Amend Senate Bill No. 400 as engrossed S3/31/25:

Page 3, line 9, delete "Independence County,"

AND

Page 3, line 14, delete "Lee County" and substitute "Lee County, Independence County, Monroe County, Phillips County"

AND

Page 3, line 24, delete "Springs" and substitute "Spring"

AND

Page 3, line 27, delete "and"

AND

Page 3, delete line 31, and substitute the following
"in the Arkansas-Oklahoma District as provided under § 2-36-307; and
(7) Lee County, Monroe County, and Phillips County shall be in the Tri-County Fair."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 400 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 614 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 614 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 614

Amend Senate Bill No.614 as engrossed S4/9/25:

Add Representative Gazaway as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 614 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1837 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1837 was withdrawn from the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1837

Amend House Bill No.1837 as engrossed H4/3/25:

Add Senator K. Hammer

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1837 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 568 at this time.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 568 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 568

Amend Senate Bill No.568 as engrossed S4/8/25:

Immediately following SECTION 4 of the bill, add additional sections to read as follows:

"SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 26-58-124(a), concerning distribution of the severance tax, is amended to read as follows:

(a) All taxes, penalties, and costs collected by the Secretary of the

Department of Finance and Administration under the provisions of this subchapter, except for the taxes, penalties, and costs collected on natural gas and salt water, shall be deposited into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Apportionment Fund.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 26-58-124, concerning distribution of the severance tax, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(d) All taxes, penalties, and costs collected by the secretary on salt water shall be deposited into the State Treasury as follows:

(1) The Treasurer of State shall allocate the first three hundred twenty-five thousand dollars ($325,000) collected each fiscal year in the following manner on or before the fifth of the month next following the month during which funds under this subsection are received by the Treasurer of State:

(A) Forty-five cents (45¢) of the fee levied per one thousand (1,000) barrels shall be deposited and credited as provided in § 26-58-125; and

(B) Of the amount remaining after the allocation under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this section:

(i) Three percent (3%) shall be allocated to the General Revenue Fund Account of the State Apportionment Fund to be used for defraying the necessary expenses of the state government; and

(ii) Ninety-seven percent (97%) shall be allocated as follows:

(a) Seventy-five percent (75%) shall be general revenues and shall be allocated to the various State Treasury funds participating in general revenues in the respective proportions to each as provided by and to be used for the respective purposes set forth in the Revenue Stabilization Law, § 19-5-101 et seq.; and

(b) Twenty-five percent (25%) shall be special revenues and shall be allocated to the County Aid Fund; and

(2) The Treasurer of State shall allocate funds collected each fiscal year in excess of three hundred twenty-five thousand dollars ($325,000) in the following manner on or before the fifth of the month next following the month during which funds under this subsection are received by the Treasurer of State:

(A) Forty-five cents (45¢) of the fee levied per one thousand (1,000) barrels shall be deposited and credited as provided in § 26-58-125; and

(B) Of the amount remaining after the allocation under subdivision (d)(2)(A) of this section:

(i) Three percent (3%) shall be allocated to the General Revenue Fund Account of the State Apportionment Fund to be used for defraying the necessary expenses of the state government; and

(ii)(a) Ninety-seven percent (97%) shall be special revenues and shall be allocated to the County Aid Fund.

(b) On or before the tenth of the month following the end of each calendar quarter, the Treasurer of State shall remit by state warrants to the various county treasurers all funds under subdivision (d)(2)(B)(ii)(a) of this section then received by him or her during the quarterly period and transferred to the County Aid Fund in the proportions of the funds as between the respective counties that, as certified by the secretary to the Treasurer of State, the salt water severance tax produced from each respective county bears to the total of the taxes produced from all counties.

(c) Upon receipt of any taxes under subdivision (d)(2)(B)(ii)(b) of this section, each county treasurer shall credit the entire amount to the county road fund for use for the same purposes as other moneys credited to the county road fund."

AND

Page 7, line 10, delete "1-6" and substitute "1-8"

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR STEVE CROWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 568 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.7
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MILLS UNIVERSITY STUDIES HIGH SCHOOL COMETS BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7 was transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.8
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MILLS UNIVERSITY STUDIES HIGH SCHOOL LADY COMETS BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE CLASS 4A CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS AND TO REMEMBER HEAD COACH JOE GREGORY'S WIFE, CYNTHIA GREGORY.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Concurrent Resolution No.8 was transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1679, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1679 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1679 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1679

Amend House Bill No.1679 as engrossed S4/8/25:

Page 2, line 3, delete "following a donor's death," and substitute "following the irreversible cessation of circulatory and respiratory functions of a donor,"

AND

Page 2, line 5, delete "death" and substitute "cardiac or asystolic death"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1679 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1642 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1642 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1642

Amend House Bill No. 1642 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 36, delete "graduation rate" and substitute "five-year graduation rate"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1642 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1866 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1866

Amend House Bill No.1866 as engrossed H4/7/25:

Add Senator J. Dotson

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1866 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1812 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1812 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1812

Amend House Bill No. 1812 as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 1, delete "~~practice~~" and substitute "practice"

AND

Page 3, line 2, delete "Ready®"

AND

Page 3, line 23, delete "~~practice~~ Ready®" and substitute "practice"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1812 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1812

Amend House Bill No.1812 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 2, delete "graduation rate" and substitute "five-year graduation rate"

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1812 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1142, BY REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1185, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1186, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1187, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1252, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1285, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1439, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1456, BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1458, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1471, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1585, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1682, BY REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1767, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,

HOUSE BILL NO. 1768, BY REPRESENTATIVE LUNDSTRUM,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1784, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1817, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1840, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1869, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1893, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1943, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1954, BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1965, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCULLOUGH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1841, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1008 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

house CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.1008
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE AND COMMEND NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S NATIONALLY LEADING AND INDUSTRY-TRANSFORMING BICYCLE ASSEMBLY & REPAIR TECHNICIAN AND TRAIL TECHNICIAN PROGRAMS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1008 was read the third time and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1011 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.1011
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON
BY: SENATORS HESTER, J. DOTSON

A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE BENTONVILLE'S INVESTMENT IN CYCLING AND ITS TITLE AS THE MOUNTAIN BIKING CAPITAL OF THE WORLD.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1011 was read the third time and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Resolution No. 54 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.54
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL LADY TIGERS SOFTBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 1A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 54 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Resolution No. 55 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.55
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL TIGERS BASEBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 1A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 55 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Resolution No. 56 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.56
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE STUDENTS OF MURFREESBORO HIGH SCHOOL FOR THEIR VICTORIES IN COMPETITIVE COMPUTERIZED NUMERIC CONTROL METAL, WOOD, AND LASER DESIGN.

Senate Resolution No. 56 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Resolution No. 64 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.64
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO URGE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 64 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 371 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 371

Amend Senate Bill No. 371 as engrossed S3/20/25:

Add Representatives J. Richardson, Barnes as cosponsors of the bill

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE J. RICHARDSON

Amendment No 1 to Senate Bill No. 371, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Scott, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 371 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 371
As Engrossed: S3/12/25 S3/20/25 H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS J. SCOTT, IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, VAUGHT, WOOLDRIDGE,
J. RICHARDSON, BARNES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MISSING CHILDREN; TO ESTABLISH A STANDARDIZED SYSTEM TO AID IN THE SEARCH OF MISSING CHILDREN WHO DO NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR ACTIVATION OF THE ARKANSAS AMBER ALERT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Senate Bill No. 371 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 371.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.371 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 460 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 460

Amend Senate Bill No. 460 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Gramlich

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

Amendment No 1 to Senate Bill No. 460, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 460 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 460
As Engrossed: H4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL; TO REPEAL THE MARKETING RECYCLABLES PROGRAM OF THE COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Senate Bill No. 460 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 460.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Dotson, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 460, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Dotson, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 460 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering 1841 Bill No. 1841 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1841 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1841

Amend House Bill No. 1841 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Irvin as a cosponsor

AND

Page 3, delete line 13, and substitute the following:
"(a) Any moneys assessed for disbursement from the Arkansas"

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1841 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1957 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1957

Amend House Bill No. 1957 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. English as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1957 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1958 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1958

Amend House Bill No. 1958 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. English as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1958 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 54 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 67 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 67

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Amend Senate Bill No. 67 as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 18, delete "131" and insert "171"

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "265" and insert "305"

AND

Page 4, line 16, delete "$21,935,305" and insert "$24,035,305"

AND

Page 4, line 18, delete "7,158,242" and insert "8,058,242"

AND

Page 4, line 27, delete " $31,596,803" and insert " $34,596,803".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 67 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 81 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 81
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - STATE PARKS AND TOURISM DIVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 81 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Johnson, B..

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 81, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin,

Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Johnson, B..

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 81 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1265 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1265

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1265 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1265. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1265, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin,

Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1265 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget bills are to be considered in a block vote:

SENATE BILL NO. 32
SENATE BILL NO. 33
SENATE BILL NO. 34
SENATE BILL NO. 35
SENATE BILL NO. 36
SENATE BILL NO. 40
SENATE BILL NO. 41
SENATE BILL NO. 51
SENATE BILL NO. 52
SENATE BILL NO. 55
SENATE BILL NO. 71
SENATE BILL NO. 106

SENATE BILL NO. 124

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 32 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 32
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 32 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 32, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 32 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 33 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 33
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 33 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 33, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 33 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 34 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 34

As Engrossed: S3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 34 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 34 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 34 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 35 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 35
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 35 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 35 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 35 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 36 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 36

As Engrossed: S3/17/25 S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING, ADULT, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 36 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 36 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 36 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 40 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 40

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH, AND THE INTERIM COMMITTEES OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 40 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill..... 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 40 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 40 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 41 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 41

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AND FUNDS TO ALLEVIATE CONDITIONS ARISING IN PUBLIC EMERGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 41 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 41 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 41 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 51 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 51
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR COORDINATOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 51 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 51 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 51 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 52 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 52

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE - OPERATIONS AND UNCLAIMED PROPERTY PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 52 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 52 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 52 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 55 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 55

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 55 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 55 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 55 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 71 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 71

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATORS, THE OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS, JUVENILE PROBATION AND INTAKE OFFICERS AND DRUG COURT JUVENILE PROBATION AND INTAKE OFFICERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 71 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 71 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 71 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 106 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 106

As Engrossed: S1/29/25 S3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No.106 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 106 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 106 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No.124 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 124

As Engrossed: S3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 124 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 124 the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.124 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 2:30 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 400, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 614, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 568, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 568 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1812, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1837, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1837 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 634, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR BRIAN KING
SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS
SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 568, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR JIM PETTY
SENATOR KIM HAMMER
SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG
SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL
SENATOR BART HESTER
SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO.1800, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR ALAN CLARK
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON
SENATOR JIM DOTSON

STATE OF ARKANSAS
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

April 9, 2025

The Honorable Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of Senate
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The House of Representatives respectfully request the return to the House, House Bill No 1829.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) SHERI STACKS, CHIEF CLERK
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House Bill No. 1829 was returned to the House as requested.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 68
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, A. CLARK

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE DIVISION OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE'S INTERSTATE CRIMINAL PATROL FOR WINNING TOP HONORS AT THE GULF COAST HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA AWARDS.

Senate Resolution No. 68 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 69
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM APRIL 9, 2025, AS ARKANSAS LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND TO COMMEND THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE ARKANSAS AS UTILITY LINEWORKERS.

Senate Resolution No. 69 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Boyd, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1484 at this time.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1484 was withdrawn from the Committee on EDUCATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1484

Amend House Bill No. 1484 as engrossed H3/12/25:

Add Senator J. Boyd

AND

Page 1, line 28, delete "seven (7)" and substitute "ten (10)"

AND

Page 2, line 12, delete "or"

AND

Page 2, delete line 14, and substitute the following:
"enrollment virtual charter school;

(10) Student who is being served or has been served in an English as a Second Language program in grades nine through twelve (9-12); or

(11) Student who is enrolled in a credit recovery open-enrollment public charter school."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1484 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 615 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 615 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 615

Amend Senate Bill No. 615 as engrossed S4/7/25:

Delete the title in its entirety and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENERGY; TO REGULATE NONEXPORT FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute the following:
"TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENERGY; AND TO REGULATE NONEXPORT FACILITIES."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 23 through 30

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 615 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 591 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 591 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 591

Amend Senate Bill No. 591 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"unborn child or the pregnant woman;"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 591 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Resolution No. 66 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 66
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY ROBOTICS CLUB FOR WINNING THE TOURNAMENT CHAMPION AND INNOVATE AWARDS AT THE 2025 TEXAS STATE VEX U TOURNAMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 66 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1958, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,
BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 149 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 149

As Engrossed: S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 149 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 149. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.149 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, Senate Bill No. 538 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 538
As Engrossed: S4/2/25 S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, HICKEY, IRVIN, *J. DOTSON*
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 538 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 538. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 538 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 600 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 600

As Engrossed: S4/7/25 S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REGULATE CONTRACTS; TO MANDATE CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS FOR CERTAIN CONTRACTS; TO CLARIFY PROPER JURISDICTION FOR CERTAIN CONTACTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 600 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 600. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 600 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1797 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1797 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1797

Amend House Bill No.1797 as engrossed S4/7/25:

Page 2, delete line 29, and substitute the following:
"Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq.

(g) Upon request, the President of the Arkansas Development Finance Authority shall appear before the Legislative Council, or if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee, to report on any contract or procurement matter identified by the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee.

(h) The authority and all records and other data of the authority are subject to inspection and audit by Arkansas Legislative Audit under § 10-4-416."

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1797 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 621 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 621
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TEMPORARY HOSPITAL FACILITY ACT; TO RETROACTIVELY APPLY TO A HEALTHCARE CONTRACT FOR THE BENEFIT OF A TEMPORARY HOSPITAL FACILITY; TO CLARIFY ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS AGAINST A HEALTHCARE INSURER; TO REQUIRE A HEALTHCARE INSURER TO REIMBURSE A TEMPORARY HOSPITAL FACILITY; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 621 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 621.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dees.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 621, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dees.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 621 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 623 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 623
As Engrossed: S4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE TREATMENT OF FEMALE INMATES AND DETAINEES IN CORRECTIONAL OR DETENTION FACILITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE TREATMENT OF AN INMATE OR DETAINEE WHO IS PREGNANT OR HAS RECENTLY DELIVERED A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Scott requested that Senate Bill No. 623 be pulled down.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Scott, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 623 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Love, Senate Bill No. 632 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 632
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR F. LOVE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPHARD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT; TO REQUIRE WARNING LABELS FOR HAIR RELAXERS THAT CONTAIN CERTAIN CHEMICALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Senate Bill No. 632 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Love moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 632. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dotson.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, McKee.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 632 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1746 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1746 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1746

Amend House Bill No. 1746 as originally introduced:

Page 4, delete lines 25 through 31, and substitute the following:

"(24) "Money" means a medium of exchange that is currently authorized or adopted by a domestic or foreign government. The term includes a monetary unit of account established by an intergovernmental organization or by agreement between two (2) or more countries. "Money" does not include a central bank digital currency."

AND

Page 36, delete lines 26 through 28, and substitute the following:

"(29) "Deposit account" means a demand, time, savings, passbook, or similar account maintained with a bank. The term "deposit account" does not include investment property, central bank digital currency, or accounts evidenced by an instrument."

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1746 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 441 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 441 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 441

Amend Senate Bill 441 as originally introduced:

Page 5, delete lines 5 through 7, and substitute the following:
"This act is retroactive to January 1, 2021."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 441 was ordered engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 629 was returned from the House as requested.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1243 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1243

As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H3/18/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNDERWOOD, LONG, ROSE, *MCALINDON*

BY: SENATOR PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN FINANCE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES; TO AMEND REPORTING FOR CANDIDATES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT, TOWNSHIP, OR MUNICIPAL OFFICE; TO AMEND REPORTING FOR CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY OFFICE; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1243 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1243. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Crowell, Gilmore, McKee, Petty, Scott.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers, Love.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1243 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1336 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1336
As Engrossed: H3/31/25 H4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION AND BENEFIT PLANS OF THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT *SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE SURVIVORS' BENEFIT OPTIONS UNDER THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE TIER TWO DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN UNDER THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1336 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1336. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1336, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1336 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1889 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1889

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIMITATIONS ON ACCESS TO A DISPENSARY OR CULTIVATION FACILITY; TO AUTHORIZE A DISPENSARY TO DELIVER ORDERS VIA A DELIVERY VEHICLE OR VIA A DRIVE-THROUGH WINDOW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1889 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dismang, Flippo, Flowers, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, M., Love, Payton, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 15

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1889 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1131 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1131 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1131

Amend House Bill No.1131 as engrossed S4/8/25:

Add Senator C. Penzo

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1131 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 67, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

SENATE BILL NO. 591, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 615, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1642 BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1679, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN, ET AL,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1866, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1484, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1484 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1150 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1150

As Engrossed: H2/11/25 H3/18/25 H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, *ENNETT, WOOTEN, ACHOR, LUNDSTRUM, GRAMLICH, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, JOEY CARR, VAUGHT, ROSE, HAWK, LADYMAN, BENTLEY, J. MAYBERRY, DUFFIELD*

BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, *J. PETTY, CALDWELL, G. LEDING, C. TUCKER, M. JOHNSON, J. SCOTT, D. SULLIVAN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER FROM OBTAINING CERTAIN PHARMACY PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1150 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin spoke against the bill.

Senator Petty spoke for the bill.

Senator Love spoke against the bill.

Senator Flippo motioned for immediate consideration. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Love, Stubblefield.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1150 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 441, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131, BY REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON,
BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1797, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY,JR.,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1841, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1746, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
BY SENATOR TYLER DEES

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1746 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

SENATE BILL NO. 636
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER FUNDS; DEFINE THE MONIES TO BE AVAILABLE IN THE RESTRICTED RESERVE FUND; AND TO ALLOW THAT ADDITIONAL FUNDS MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR STATE DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND INSTITUTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 636 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

SENATE BILL NO. 637
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REVENUE STABILIZATION LAW; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 637 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 5:36 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1484, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1938, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1939, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1941, BY REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1756, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662, BY REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR TYLER DEES
SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD
SENATOR MATT MCKEE
SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON
SENATOR BEN GILMORE

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1523, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1537, BY REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1801, BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1963, BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended no. 1

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

HOUSE BILL NO. 1960
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN TAXES TO LEASED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT AND PAYMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES ON CERTAIN LEASED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE LESSEE OF A LEASED MOTOR VEHICLE IS THE OWNER OF THE LEASED MOTOR VEHICLE FOR PURPOSES OF THE ASSESSMENT AND PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM TAX LIMITATION ON THE LEVY OF LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES ON SALES OF CERTAIN TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1960 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1966
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARNETT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN INCORPORATED TOWN OR A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS TO PETITION THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOCAL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OR SATELLITE SCHOOL UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1966 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Senator Hester moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1555 was passed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1555 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1555 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1555

Amend House Bill No.1555 as engrossed S3/31/25:

Page 2, line 5, delete "a quorum of the whole number of" and substitute "the remaining members of"

AND

Page 2, delete line 10, and substitute the following:
"municipality shall not be appointed to fill a vacancy under this section in municipalities with a population of fifty thousand (50,000) or more; or"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 15 and 16, and substitute the following "(B)(i) If the governing body of a municipality calls"

AND

Page 2, delete line 22, and substitute the following:
"municipality may be appointed under subdivision (a)(2)(B)(i) of this section to serve in the office until the vacancy is filled at a special election."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1555 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1685 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1685 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1685

Amend House Bill 1685 as engrossed S4/8/25 (version: 4/8/25 02:20:59 PM):

Page 6, line 18, delete "164-301 et seq.," and substitute "164-301 et seq., § 26-52-303, §§ 26-52-606 — 26-52-607,"

AND

Page 12, line 21, delete "164-301 et seq.," and substitute "164-301 et seq., § 26-52-303, §§ 26-52-606 — 26-52-607,"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BART HESTER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1685 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Stone, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1960 at this time.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1960 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1960

Amend House Bill No. 1960 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Stone as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT STONE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1960 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 67 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1171 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1171

As Engrossed: H2/4/25 H2/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO AUTHORIZE AN ABBREVIATED INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT FOR CERTAIN BENEFICIARIES ENROLLED IN A RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1171 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1171. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1171 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1277 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1277

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND PAYMENTS FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION REGARDING PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS; AND FOR OTHER* PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1277 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1277. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Dotson, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1277 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1320 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1320
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WOOLDRIDGE, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION PROTOCOL ACT OF 2017; TO PROHIBIT LIMITS ON UTILIZATION CRITERIA UNDER THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION PROTOCOL ACT OF 2017; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" AS USED UNDER THE ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO REGULATE CRISIS STABILIZATION UNITS AND HEALTHCARE INSURERS; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR CRISIS STABILIZATION UNITS UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1320 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1320. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1320 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1416 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1416

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FIRE* DEPARTMENTS; TO ALLOW A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICING UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY TO LEVY DUES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1416 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1416. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Gilmore, Irvin, King, Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Hill, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1416 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1440 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1440

As Engrossed: H2/24/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MASSAGE THERAPY ACT; TO ESTABLISH REGISTRATION FOR MASSAGE THERAPY ESTABLISHMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1440 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1440. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Flowers, Johnson, B., McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1440 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1454 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1454
As Engrossed: S4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS FOR EMPLOYEES OF SERVICE PROVIDERS; TO ALLOW THIRD-PARTY EMPLOYEE EVALUATION SERVICES TO PERFORM CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS; TO INCLUDE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1454 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1454. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1454 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1476 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1476

As Engrossed: H3/10/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DIRECT SHIPMENT OF VINOUS LIQUOR ACT; TO ESTABLISH A WINE DIRECT SHIPPER LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1476 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1476. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Love, Payton, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1476 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1963 at this time.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1963 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1963

Amend House Bill No. 1963 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 3, and substitute the following:
"the physician under subdivision (b)(2)(B)(ii) of this section.

(d) If the advanced practice registered nurse substitutes a therapeutically equivalent medication under subdivision (b)(2)(B)(ii)(c) of this section, the advanced practice registered nurse shall notify the physician who originally prescribed the stimulant of the substitution."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1963 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1801 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1801 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1801

Amend House Bill No. 1801 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 12, and substitute the following:
"January 1, 2025.

(d) The board shall adopt rules pertaining to an Arkansas-licensed retail pharmacy dispensing a compound obtained from an outsourcing facility of legend drugs and controlled substances to a patient, including without limitation requiring:

(1) Patient education on the compound;

(2) The name of the outsourcing facility of legend drugs and controlled substances preparing the compound; and

(3) Any other item related to the dispensing of a compound by an outsourcing facility of legend drugs and controlled substances deemed necessary by the board."

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1801 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1756 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1756 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1756

Amend House Bill No. 1756 as originally introduced:

Add Senator B. Davis

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1756 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1543 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1543

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; TO ESTABLISH THE WORKFORCE EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1543 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1543. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1543 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1559 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1559
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO SEEK A WAIVER TO THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR COVERAGE FOR INPATIENT TREATMENT SERVICES FOR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1559 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill 1559. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Hill.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: McKee, Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 1559 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1572 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1572

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 H3/31/25 H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LADYMAN, UNGER, BECK, S. MEEKS

BY: SENATORS MCKEE, C. PENZO, GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY STUDY ON NEW NUCLEAR ENERGY GENERATION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1572 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1572. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1572, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1572 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1582 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1582

As Engrossed: H3/6/25 H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON, ROSE, UNDERWOOD

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW; TO REQUIRE THE *STATE-MAINTAINED JOB BOARD* TO MATCH AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A JOB; TO !ENCOURAGE^ AN INDIVIDUAL TO APPLY FOR A JOB AS PART OF HIS OR HER WORK SEARCH CONTACTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1582 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1582. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1582 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1589 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1589
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE SCHULZ
BY SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF A COUNTY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ANNUAL COUNTY FINANCIAL REPORT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1589 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1589. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1589 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1615 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1615

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/11/25 H3/12/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LUNDSTRUM, ET AL

BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RELIGIOUS *NONDISCRIMINATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1615 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Stubblefield closed for the bill.

Senator Stubblefield moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1615. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1615 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1619 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1619
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SET ADMINISTRATION FEES UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR IMMUNIZATIONS AND MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES FOR RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS DISEASE; TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF IMMUNIZATIONS AND MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES FOR RESPIRATORY SYNCYTICAL VIRUS DISEASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1619 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1619. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, Hester, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Davis, Dees, Tucker.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1619 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1622 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1622
As Engrossed: H3/17/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "ADVERSE DECISION" UNDER THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RECONSIDERATION UNDER THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1622 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1622. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1622 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1653 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1653

As Engrossed: H3/5/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES CAVENAUGH, *WOOLDRIDGE*

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MOVE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES FROM THE CHILD WELFARE AGENCY REVIEW BOARD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; TO SET STANDARDS FOR THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT *FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1653 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1653. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1653, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1653 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1657 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1657
As Engrossed: H4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES BECK, *ACHOR, ET AL*
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, *J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HESTER, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WOOD ENERGY PRODUCTS AND FOREST MAINTENANCE INCOME TAX CREDIT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1657 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1657. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, Dotson, Flowers, C. Penzo.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1657 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1685, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1685 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1756, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1555, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,
BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1963, REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES, ET AL
BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Bryant, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1877 at this time.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1877 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1877

Amend House Bill No. 1877 as engrossed H4/7/25:

Page 1, delete line 33, and substitute the following:
"in whole or in part, through the use of artificial intelligence;"

AND

Page 2, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"painting; and

(8) "Adversarial testing" means red teaming or another activity or exercise conducted in a controlled environment and in collaboration with an artificial intelligence developer to identify a potential adverse behavior or outcome of a model or system, to determine how the potential adverse behavior or outcome of a model or system could occur, to stress test safeguards, and to conduct other structured evaluation methods as set forth by the National Institute of Standards and Technology."

AND

Page 2, delete line 25, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 5-27-304, concerning the offense of pandering or possessing visual or print medium depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(c) This section does not apply to:

(1) A visual or print medium possessed, controlled, or intentionally viewed as part of a law enforcement investigation; or

(2)(A) An interactive computer service as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 230 for:

(i) Content provided by another party; and

(ii) Computer generated visual or print medium depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child when the visual or print medium is generated as part of adversarial testing conducted in good faith to prevent, detect, or mitigate the risk of artificial intelligence systems generating visual or print medium depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child.

(B) Subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section does not include a person who engages in adversarial testing for personal or exploitative purposes or for purposes unrelated to legitimate artificial intelligence safety testing.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 5-27-601(13) is repealed."

AND

Page 2, delete line 34, and substitute the following:
"artificial intelligence;"

AND

Page 3, delete line 3, and substitute the following:

"child that is a drawing, cartoon sculpture, or painting; and

(18) "Adversarial testing" means red teaming or another activity or exercise conducted in a controlled environment and in collaboration with an artificial intelligence developer to identify a potential adverse behavior or outcome of a model or system, to determine how the potential adverse behavior or outcome of a model or system could occur, to stress test safeguards, and to conduct other structured evaluation methods as set forth by the National Institute of Standards and Technology."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 29 through 32, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 5-27-602, concerning distributing, possessing, or viewing of matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(d) This section does not apply to:

(1) Matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child possessed, controlled, or intentionally viewed as part of a law enforcement investigation; or

(2)(A) An interactive computer service as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 230 for:

(i) Content provided by another party; or

(ii) Computer generated matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child when the matter is generated as part of adversarial testing conducted in good faith to prevent, detect, or mitigate the risk of artificial intelligence systems generating matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child.

(B) Subdivision (d)(2)(A) of this section does not include a person who engages in adversarial testing for personal or exploitative purposes or for purposes unrelated to legitimate artificial intelligence safety testing.

SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 5-27-603 is amended to read as follows:

5-27-603. ~~Possession or use of child sexual abuse material~~ Electronic facilitation of child sexual abuse.

(a) A person commits ~~possession or use of child sexual abuse material~~ electronic facilitation of child sexual abuse"

AND

Page 4, delete line 15, and substitute the following:

"(b) ~~Possession or use of child sexual abuse material~~ Electronic facilitation of child sexual abuse is a Class B"

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1877 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1801, BY REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE,
BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 638
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, HENLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF SALES AND USE TAX ON THE SALE OF A NEW OR USED MOTORBOAT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DIRECT PAYMENT OF SALES AND USE TAX ON A MOTORBOAT SOLD BY A MOTORBOAT DEALER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 638 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1666 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1666
As Engrossed: S4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS SELF-FUNDED CYBER RESPONSE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1666 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1666 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1677 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1677

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BENTLEY, MCGREW, *HAWK*

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS TO MAINTAIN EMERGENCY MEDICATION KITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1677 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1677. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1677 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1679 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1679
As Engrossed: H3/19/25 S4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, *GAZAWAY, ET AL*
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REVISED ARKANSAS ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT; TO ALLOW CERTAIN CLASSES OF PERSONS TO REVOKE OR AMEND AN ANATOMICAL GIFT UPON THE DEATH OF THE DONOR; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTING OF PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1679 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson spoke for the bill.
Senator Clark spoke for the bill.
Senator Irvin closed for the bill.

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1679. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Love.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Scott.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1679 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1692 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1692
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING POLYGRAPH EXAMINERS AND VOICE STRESS ANALYSIS EXAMINERS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS AND PRIVATE SECURITY AGENCIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1692 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson spoke against the bill.
Senator Davis spoke for the bill.
Senator Petty closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.
Total 23

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson, Johnson, M., Payton, C. Penzo.
Total 5
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, English, Flippo, Murdock, Rice, Sullivan.
Total 6
EXCUSED:
Total 0
VOTING PRESENT: Dees.
Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1692 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1877, BY REPRESENTATIVES S. MEEKS, ET AL
BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1960, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
BY SENATOR MATT STONE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1960 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

SENATE BILL NO. 639
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HALL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 639 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 7:36 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 639, BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR MATT MCKEE
SENATOR CLINT PENZO
SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON
SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD
SENATOR MARK JOHNSON

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1695 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1695

As Engrossed: 3/17/25 S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. RICHARDSON, ANDREWS, HUDSON

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL LIENS RELATED TO NEGLECTED PROPERTY AND TAX-DELINQUENT PROPERTY; TO CLARIFY THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS FOR PROPERTY SUBJECT TO A MUNICIPAL LIEN; TO ALLOW A MUNICIPALITY TO *PETITION TO SET ASIDE* THE SALE OF PROPERTY BY THE STATE TO A PERSON THAT OWNS TAX-DELINQUENT PROPERTY IN THIS STATE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PRIORITY OF UNRECORDED MUNICIPAL LIENS OVER OTHER UNRECORDED LIENS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1695 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1695. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1695 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1712 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1712

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SOCIAL WORK LICENSURE COMPACT IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1712 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved the body roll the vote on House Bill No 1712. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Bryant, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Payton, Sullivan.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1712 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1717 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1717

As Engrossed: S3/31/25 S4/2/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GRAMLICH, A. COLLINS, SPRINGER,

BENTLEY, A. BROWN, WALKER, ACHOR

SENATOR J. BOYD, C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN AND TEENS' ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1717 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1717. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1717 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1729 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1729
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. BURKES
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION ACT; TO PROVIDE THAT A HOMESTEAD OWNED BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1729 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1729. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1729 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1734 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1734

As Engrossed: H3/17/25 S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DEATH CERTIFICATES; TO CLARIFY THE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS WHO MAY SIGN A MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH AND PRONOUNCE DEATH OF A PATIENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1734 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1734. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Irvin.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1734 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1749 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1749
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE UNIFORM TRUST DECANTING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1749 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1749. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1749 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1751 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1751

As Engrossed: H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; TO REQUIRE AN APPLICANT FOR TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM BENEFITS TO ENGAGE IN JOB SEARCH ACTIVITIES WHILE THE APPLICATION IS BEING PROCESSED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1751 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1751. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1751 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1752 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1752

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SAVINGS PLANS FROM THE EXECUTION OF A JUDGMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1752 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1752. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 14

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Hammer, Johnson, B..

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1752 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1758 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1758
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PRACTICE OF DISPENSING HEARING INSTRUMENTS"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1758 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1758. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1758 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Tucker moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 629 passed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 629 at this time.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Bill No. 629 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 629
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW AN OFFICER OF A CLOSELY HELD CORPORATION TO REPRESENT THE CORPORATION IN COURT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVICTION PROCEEDINGS AND UNLAWFUL DETAINER PROCEEDINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 629. Motion carried.

House Bill No. 629 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 629 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1763 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1763
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT OF 2013; TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF UNLAWFUL USE OF A COMMUNICATION DEVICE DURING THE COMMISSION OF A HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1763 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1763. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1763 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1777 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1777
As Engrossed: S4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF SEXUALLY GROOMING A CHILD; TO INCLUDE BRIBING OR ATTEMPTING TO BRIBE A CHILD IN THE OFFENSE OF SEXUALLY GROOMING A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1777 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1777. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1777 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1778 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1778

As Engrossed: S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF STALKING TO INCLUDE PLACING A PERSON IN FEAR OF SEXUAL ACTS AGAINST HIMSELF OR HERSELF OR HIS OR HER FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBER; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF COURSE OF CONDUCT WITH RESPECT TO STALKING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1778 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1778. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1778 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1779 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1779
As Engrossed: S4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO THEFT OF PROPERTY; TO ENHANCE THE OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION FOR THE THEFT OF A POSTAL PACKAGE DELIVERED TO A PERSON'S RESIDENCE AND LEFT WITHIN THE CURTILAGE OF THE RESIDENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1779 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1779. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1779 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1780 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1780

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RETENTION OF PROPERTY RELATED TO A FELONY INVESTIGATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1780 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1780. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1780 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Bill No. 1782 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1782
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, ET AL
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT OVER-THE-COUNTER DIET PILLS FROM BEING SOLD, TRANSFERRED, OR OTHERWISE FURNISHED TO A PERSON WHO IS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1782 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan spoke against the bill.
Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.
Senator Scott closed for the bill.

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1782. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dotson, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Flippo, Hammer, Johnson, B., Rice.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1782 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1796 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1796
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DISPLAY OF GENDER INFORMATION ON AN ARKANSAS DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1796 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1796. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1796 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1799 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1799

As Engrossed: H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMISSIBLE METHODS OF REPORTING UNDER THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1799 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1799. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1799 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1810 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1810

As Engrossed: H3/31/25 S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF; TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF TO THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1810 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1810. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1810, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1810 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1815 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1815
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PERRY, ET AL
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, J. DOTSON, K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE'S JURISDICTION OVER FEDERAL LANDS; TO RETAIN JUVENILE JUSTICE JURISDICTION BY THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1815 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1815. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1815 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1824 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1824
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES DUFFIELD, ET AL
BY: SENATORS A. CLARK, C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CRUELTY TO ANIMALS; TO CREATE THE DOG AND CAT RESCUE ACT: DAISY'S LAW; TO AUTHORIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO SECURE A DOG OR CAT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1824 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton spoke against the bill.
Senator Clark closed for the bill.

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1824. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Gilmore, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 14

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Hammer.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1824 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1830 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1830
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT OF CONTINGENCY FEE CONTRACTS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1830 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1830. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1830 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1831 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1831
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1831 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1831. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1831 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1835 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1835
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECORD SEALING UPON COMPLETION OF A SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM; TO UPDATE AND CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING DRUG COURT, MENTAL HEALTH COURT, VETERANS COURT, AND DWI/BWI SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1835 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1835. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1835 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1838 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1838
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROBATE ACTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADOPTION AND GUARDIANSHIP; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1838 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1838. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1838 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1839 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1839
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROCEDURES FOR THE DECLARATION OF LEGAL DEATH OF A MISSING PERSON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1839 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1839. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1839 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1844 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1844

As Engrossed: S4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF FLEEING BY MEANS OF A VEHICLE OR CONVEYANCE; TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR A PERSON WHO JUMPS FROM A MOVING VEHICLE OR CONVEYANCE WHILE FLEEING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1844 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1844. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Flowers.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1844 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1851 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1851

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR FOOD, FOOD INGREDIENTS, AND PREPARED FOOD SOLD IN A PUBLIC, COMMON, HIGH SCHOOL, OR COLLEGE CAFETERIA OR DINING FACILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1851 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1851. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Payton.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1851 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1854 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1854
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO EXEMPT A HOME CAREGIVER FROM HOME CAREGIVER TRAINING IF HE OR SHE PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED TRAINING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1854 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1854. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1854 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 625, BY SENATOR B. DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ENGLISH, CHAIR
SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

SENATOR REGINALD MURDOCK

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 625 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 625 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 625

Amend Senate Bill No. 625 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 1, and substitute the following:
"offered by a public school within the state;"

AND

Page 3, line 10, delete "means" and substitute "means or is required as part of an academic modification as specified by a clinician"

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete "one-sixth (1/6)" and substitute "twenty-five percent (25%)"

AND

Page 6, line 32, delete "March 31" and substitute "May 1"

AND

Page 12, line 28, delete "has, or intends to, commit" and substitute "has committed"

AND

Page 14, line 29, delete ", or intends to commit,"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 625 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1887 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1887
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PEARCE
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATEWIDE CHILD ABDUCTION RESPONSE TEAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1887 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1887. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1887 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1934 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1934

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MCALINDON, B. MCKENZIE

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS FORWARD ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE ACT; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS FORWARD ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1934 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King spoke against the bill.

Senator Sullivan spoke against the bill.

Senator Gilmore closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, Petty, Stone, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Davis, Irvin, King, Leding, Murdock, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Rice.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1934 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Stubblefield requested a Sounding of the Ballot passed of House Bill No. 1934. Five hands were seen, whereupon the Secretary sounded the ballot. Results are as follows:

Total number of votes cast	28
Necessary to the passage of the Bill	18
Total number voting in the affirmative	17
Total number voting in the negative	11
Total number absent or not voting	6

Upon sounding of the ballot, the bill failed to pass.

Motion for a Clincher failed

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1934 was returned to the House having failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

SENATE BILL NO. 640
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO RECONSTITUTE THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 640 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on Monday, April 7, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised the names on the April 9, 2025 Floor List were approved by the Committee in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch. There were no request to pull any of the names on the list from the batch.

Senator Davis moved the Senate confirm the names of the April 9, 2025 Floor List of appointments approved by the Senate Rules Committee in a batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The April 9, 2025 Floor List of Appointments was confirmed.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS - APRIL 9, 2025 FLOOR LIST

(Regular Sesson of the 95th General Assembly

- **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board:**

  1) Andrew Bemer - Senator Sullivan

- **Arkansas Early Childhood Commission:**
  1) Dr. Jason Williams - Senator Mark Johnson

- **Arkansas Economic Development Council:**
  1) Jerry Holder - Senator Hammer
  2) Molly Shepherd - Senator Stone
  3) Sam Russell - Senator Hester

- **Arkansas Ethics Commission:**
  1) Blake Flemister - Senator Tucker

- **Arkansas Post-Prison Transfer Board:**

  1) William Shock - Senator Irvin

- **Arkansas Racing Commission:**
  1) John Schmelzle - Senator Hester
  2) Michael Denny East - Senator Murdock

- **Arkansas Real Estate Commission:**
  1) Eugene Post - Senator Boyd
  2) Tracey Rancifer-Rittelmeyer - Senator Tucker

- **Arkansas State Medical Board:**
  1) Dr. Josh Roller - Senator Penzo
  2) Dr. Kenneth Bruce Jones - Senator Sullivan

- **Arkansas State Police Commission:**
  1) Jeffery Teague - Senator Leding

- **Arkansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Compact Commission:**

  1) Bailey Taylor - Senator Clark

- Black History Commission:
  1) Daion Daniels - Senator Leding
  2) Joseph Wood - Senator Mark Johnson
  3) Linda Chesterfield - Senator Scott

- **Board of Control for Southern Regional Education:**
  1) Rep. Bruce Cozart - Senator McKee

- **Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas:**
  1) Roger Polston - Senator Payton

- **Board of Trustees of Arkansas Tech University:**
  1) Len Cotton - Senator Rice

- **Board of Trustees of Southern Arkansas University:**
  1) Iverson Jackson - Senator Scott

- **Board of Trustees of the Arkansas State University System:**
  1) Carole Farmer - Senator Leding

- **Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas:**
  1) James Randy Lawson - Senator Dotson

- **Board of Trustees of the University of Central Arkansas**:
  1) Kay Hinkle - Senator Mark Johnson

- **Contractors Licensing Board:**
  1) David Sloan - Senator Hester
  2) Donald Weaver - Senator Mark Johnson
  3) Matthew McKinley Stewart - Senator Irvin
  4) Stephen Forsgren - Senator Boyd

- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission:**
  1) June Wood - Senator Leding
  2) Kenneth Muskie Harris - Senator Scott

- **State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Professional Surveyors:**
  1) Jared Wiley - Senator Clark

- **War Memorial Stadium Commission:**

  1) Steve Deere - Senator Hammer

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Andrew Berner of Benton County as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for a term to expire January 14, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Brenne Davis

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Dr. Jason Williams of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Early Childhood Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Jerry Holder of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Economic Development Council for a term to expire January 14, 2029.Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Molly Shepherd of Union County as a member of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2029.

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Matt Stone

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Sam Russell of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Economic Development Council for a term to expire January 14, 2027

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Blake Flemister of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Ethics Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Daivs, confirmed the appointment of William Shock of Faulkner County as a member of the Post-Prison Transfer Board for a term to expire January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of John Schmelzle of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Racing Commission fora term to expire January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Michael "Denny" East of Crittenden County as a member of the Arkansas Racing Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2030.

(SIGNED) Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Eugene Post of Sebastian County as a member of the Arkansas Real Estate Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Tracey Rancifer-Rittelmeyer of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Real Estate Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Dr. Josh Roller of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas State Medical Board for a term to expire December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home Senator District Clint Penzo

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Dr. Kenneth Bruce Jones of Craighead County as a member of the Arkansas State Medical Board for a term to expire December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Jeffery Teague of Washinton County as a member of the Arkansas State Police Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Bailey Taylor of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Compact Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Daion Daniels of Washington County as a member of the Black History Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Joseph Wood of Pulaski County as a member of the Black History Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Blake Johnson, confirmed the appointment of Linda Chesterfield of Pulaski County as a member of the Black History Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Bruce Cozart of Garland County as a member of the Board of Control for Southern Regional Education for a term to expire June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Roger Polston of Sharp County as a member of the Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas for a term to expire June 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Thomas "Len" Cotton of Yell County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Arkansas Tech University for a term to expire January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Iverson Jackson of Pulaski County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Southern Arkansas University for a term to expire January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Carole Farmer of Washington County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas State University System for a term to expire January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of James Randy Lawson of Benton County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas or a term to expire March 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Kay Hinkle of Faulkner County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Central Arkansas for a term to expire January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of David Sloan of Benton County as a member of the Contractor's Licensing Board for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Donald Weaver of Faulkner County as a member of the Contractor's Licensing Board for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Matthew McKinley Stewart of Van Buren County as a member of the Contractor's Licensing Board for a term to expire December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Stephen Forsgren of Sebastian County as a member of the Contractor's Licensing Board for a term to expire December 31, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of June Wood of Washington County as a member of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission for a term to expire September 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Kenneth "Muskie" Harris of Pulaski County as a member of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission for a term to expire September 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Jared Wiley of Saline County as a member of the State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors for a term to expire July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

April 8, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of James Steven Deere of Saline County as a member of the War Memorial Stadium Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Andrew Berner, of Benton County, to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Andrew Berner will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Andrew Berner by vote of the full Senate.

Andrew Berner stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

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March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Jason Williams, of Pulaski County, to the Early Childhood Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Jason Williams will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Jason Williams by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Jason Williams stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Jerry Holder, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jerry Holder will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jerry Holder by vote of the full Senate.

Jerry Holder stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Molly Shepherd, of Union County, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Molly Shepherd will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Molly Shepherd by vote of the full Senate.

Molly Shepherd stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Sam Russell, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sam Russell will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sam Russell by vote of the full Senate.

Sam Russell stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

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March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Blake Flemister, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Ethics Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Blake Flemister will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Blake Flemister by vote of the full Senate.

Blake Flemister stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate William Shock, of Faulkner County, to the Post-Prison Transfer Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, William Shock will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of William Shock by vote of the full Senate.

William Shock stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate John Schmelzle, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Racing Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, John Schmelzle will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of John Schmelzle by vote of the full Senate.

John Schmelzle stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Michael "Denny" East of Crittenden County, to the Arkansas Racing Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael "Denny" East will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael "Denny" East by vote of the full Senate.

Michael "Denny" East stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

4190



February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Eugene Post, of Sebastian County, to the Arkansas Real Estate Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Eugene Post will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Eugene Post by vote of the full Senate.

Eugene Post stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Tracey Rancifer-Rittelmeyer of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Real Estate Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Tracey Rancifer-Rittelmeyer will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Tracey Rancifer-Rittelmeyer by vote of the full Senate.

Tracey Rancifer-Rittelmeyer stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

4192

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Josh Roller, of Washington County, to the Arkansas State Medical Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Josh Roller will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Josh Roller by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Josh Roller stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Kenneth Bruce Jones, of Craighead County, to the Arkansas State Medical Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Kenneth Bruce Jones will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Kenneth Bruce Jones by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Kenneth Bruce Jones stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

4194

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Jeffery Teague, of Washington County, to the Arkansas State Police Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jeffery Teague will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jeffery Teague by vote of the full Senate.

Jeffery Teague stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Bailey Taylor, of Saline County, to the Arkansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Compact Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Bailey Taylor will serve a term to expire on February 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Bailey Taylor by vote of the full Senate.

Bailey Taylor stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

4196

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Daion Daniels, of Washington County, to the Black History Commission of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Daion Daniels will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Daion Daniels by vote of the full Senate.

Daion Daniels stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Joseph Wood, of Pulaski County, to the Black History Commission of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Joseph Wood will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Joseph Wood by vote of the full Senate.

Joseph Wood stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

4198

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Linda Chesterfield, of Pulaski County, to the Black History Commission of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Linda Chesterfield will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Linda Chesterfield by vote of the full Senate.

Linda Chesterfield stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Representative Bruce Cozart, of Garland County, to the Board of Control for Southern Regional Education. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Representative Bruce Cozart will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Representative Cozart by vote of the full Senate.

Representative Cozart stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

4200

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Roger Polston, of Sharp County, to the Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Roger Polston will serve a term to expire on June 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Roger Polston by vote of the full Senate.

Roger Polston stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Thomas "Len" Cotton, of Yell County, to the Board of Trustees of Arkansas Tech University. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Thomas "Len" Cotton will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Thomas "Len" Cotton by vote of the full Senate.

Thomas "Len" Cotton stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Terry Rice

4202

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Iverson Jackson, of Pulaski County, to the Board of Trustees of Southern Arkansas University. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Iverson Jackson will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Iverson Jackson by vote of the full Senate.

Iverson Jackson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

March 11, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Carole Farmer, of Washington County, to the Board of Trustees of Arkansas State University System. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Carole Farmer will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Carole Farmer by vote of the full Senate.

Carole Farmer stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

4204

March 6, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate James Randy Lawson, of Benton County, to the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, James Randy Lawson will serve a term to expire on March 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of James Randy Lawson by vote of the full Senate.

James Randy Lawson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Kay Hinkle, of Faulkner County, to the Board of Trustees of the University of Central Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kay Hinkle will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kay Hinkle by vote of the full Senate.

Kay Hinkle stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

4206

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate David Sloan, of Benton County, to the Contractor's Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, David Sloan will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of David Sloan by vote of the full Senate.

David Sloan stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Donald Weaver, of Faulkner County, to the Contractor's Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Donald Weaver will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Donald Weaver by vote of the full Senate.

Donald Weaver stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

4208

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Matthew McKinley Stewart, of Van Buren County, to the Contractor's Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Matthew McKinley Stewart will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Matthew McKinley Stewart by vote of the full Senate.

Matthew McKinley Stewart stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Stephen Forsgren, of Sebastian County, to the Contractor's Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Stephen Forsgren will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Stephen Forsgren by vote of the full Senate.

Stephen Forsgren stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

4210

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate June Wood, of Washington County, to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, June Wood will serve a term to expire on September 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of June Wood by vote of the full Senate.

June Wood stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Kenneth "Muskie" Harris, of Pulaski County, to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kenneth "Muskie" Harris will serve a term to expire on September 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kenneth "Muskie" Harris by vote of the full Senate.

Kenneth "Muskie" Harris stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

4212

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate Jared Wiley, of Saline County, to the State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jared Wiley will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jared Wiley by vote of the full Senate.

Jared Wiley stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

March 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
State Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate,

I am pleased to nominate James Steven Deere, Saline County, to the War Memorial Stadium. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, James Steven Deere will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of James Steven Deere by vote of the full Senate.

James Steven Deere stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 9:20 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 9, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 625, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 641
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING WORK-RELEASE PROGRAMS; TO ALLOW A SHERIFF TO ELECT TO HOUSE WORK-RELEASE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 641 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 400 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 400 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 400

As Engrossed: S3/19/25 S3/31/25 S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN BY: REPRESENTATIVES MILLIGAN, CAVENAUGH, STEIMEL, COZART, WOOLDRIDGE, VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGRICULTURE; TO AMEND THE FAIR-FUNDING PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 400 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 400. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total..... 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 400 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 441 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 441 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 441

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS HESTER, C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE JUNK LAWSUIT PREVENTION ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 441 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 20

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Flowers, Hickey, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Scott, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Davis, English.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flippo, Rice.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Stubblefield requested a Sounding of the Ballot passed of Senate Bill No. 441. Five hands were seen, whereupon the Secretary sounded the ballot. Results are as follows:

Total number of votes cast	30
Necessary to the passage of the Bill	18
Total number voting in the affirmative	19

Total number voting in the negative 11
Total number absent or not voting 5

Upon sounding of the ballot, the bill passed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 441 transmitted to the House.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Crowell, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 568 at this time.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 568 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 568
As Engrossed: S4/1/25 S4/8/25 S4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS CROWELL, GILMORE, STONE
BY: REPRESENTATIVES JEAN, ANDREWS, DALBY, HENLEY, M. SHEPHERD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TAXES APPLICABLE TO LITHIUM EXTRACTION AND DEVELOPMENT; TO INCLUDE ELECTRONIC WASTE IN THE DEFINITION OF "SOLID WASTE" FOR PURPOSES OF THE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR WASTE REDUCTION, REUSE, OR RECYCLING EQUIPMENT; TO PROVIDE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR LITHIUM RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT; TO AMEND THE LAW *CONCERNING THE SEVERANCE TAX ON LITHIUM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 568 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 568. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Payton.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 568 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Leding, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 585 at this time.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 585 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 585

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES WORTHEN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMPLOYMENT; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN RECORDS BE PROVIDED TO AN EMPLOYEE WHO IS A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 585 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.585 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 591 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 591 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 591

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT RACE-SELECTION ABORTION IN THIS STATE; TO CREATE THE RACE DISCRIMINATION BY ABORTION PROHIBITION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 591 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 591. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 591 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Tucker, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 614 at this time.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 614 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 614
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
As Engrossed: S4/9/25 S4/9/25
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 614 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark spoke on the bill.
Senator Tucker closed for the bill.

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 614. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Clark.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 614 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 615 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 615 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 615

As Engrossed: S4/7/25 S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ENERGY; TO REGULATE NONEXPORT FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 615 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Johnson, M., Leding, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 12

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Love, McKee, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 20

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, Johnson, B., King.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 615 failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 634 at this time.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 634 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 634
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, B. JOHNSON, A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE DIVISION OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 634 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 634. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Gilmore, Love, Murdock, Petty.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees, Hill, Rice, Scott.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 634 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1131 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1131 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131
As Engrossed: S4/8/25 S4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE TO DELEGATE CERTAIN TASKS TO MEDICAL ASSISTANTS AND OTHER UNLICENSED STAFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1131 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1131. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Irvin, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Johnson, B..

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1131 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1642 at this time.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1642 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1642

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT ACT; TO AMEND THE MEASURES CONSIDERED WHEN CALCULATING A SCHOOL RATING; TO ENSURE A STUDENT IS NOT COUNTED AS A DROPOUT FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING A SCHOOL-LEVEL GRADUATION RATE IF THE STUDENT PASSES A GED TEST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1642 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1642. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1642 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1656 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1656 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1656

As Engrossed: S3/19/25 S4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BECK

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION; TO CLARIFY THE ALLOCATION OF PRODUCTION AND COST FOLLOWING INTEGRATION ORDER BY DEFINING "NET PROCEEDS"; *TO ADDRESS* OBLIGATIONS OF OPERATORS AND WORKING INTEREST OWNERS TO MINERAL OWNERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1656 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone spoke against the bill.
Senator Dismang spoke for the bill.
Senator Penzo spoke against the bill.
Senator Hill spoke for the bill.
Senator Irvin spoke for the bill.
Senator Payton spoke for the bill.
Senator Davis closed for the bill.

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1656. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Crowell, Gilmore, Johnson, B., C. Penzo, Stone, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Murdock.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1656 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1797 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1797 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1797

As Engrossed: S4/7/25 S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO CLARIFY THE ROLE OF THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO EXEMPT THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE *AUTHORITY FROM CERTAIN STATE REGULATIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND* FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1797 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1797. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1797, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1797 was ordered immediately returned to the House as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1812 at this time.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1812 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1812

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDENT WHO TAKES AND PASSES A GED TEST; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT; TO CREATE AN EXCEPTION TO THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR A STUDENT WHO TAKES A GED TEST AND RECEIVES A GED; TO AMEND THE SCORE REQUIREMENTS FOR PASSAGE OF THE GED TEST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1812 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1812. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Hou se Bill No. 1812 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1841 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1841 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1841

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS REVENUE INVESTMENT IN VITAL EMS SYSTEMS (ARRIVES) ACT; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS REVENUE INVESTMENT IN VITAL EMS SYSTEMS (ARRIVES) FUND FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1841 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1841. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dotson, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1841 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dotson, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1866 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1866 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1866
As Engrossed: H4/7/25 S4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE ELI'S LAW; TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL TO INSTALL AN AUDIO RECORDING DEVICE IN EACH LOCKER ROOM AND DRESSING ROOM ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAMPUS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1866 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Flippo, Hill, McKee, Stone, Stubblefield.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Hickey, Irvin, Rice.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1866 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1872 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1872 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1872

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FEES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED BY A COUNTY SHERIFF; TO ALLOW A COUNTY SHERIFF TO COLLECT FEES FOR ATTEMPTED SERVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1872 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1872. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Tucker.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1872 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1891 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1891 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1891
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING AS A CANDIDATE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF A PREFIX IN FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE BY AN APPOINTEE TO A NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICE; TO ALLOW A PERSON FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OR JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS WHO IS SERVING IN THAT POSITION AS AN APPOINTEE TO USE THE TITLE OF THAT POSITION AS A PREFIX WHEN FILING AS A CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1891 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1891. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1891 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator House, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1896 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1896 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1896
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE JUNK FEE ELIMINATING ACT OF 2025; ABOLISH THE INFORMATION NETWORK OF ARKANSAS; TO TRANSFER ANY REMAINING DUTIES OF THE INFORMATION NETWORK OF ARKANSAS TO THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1896 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1896. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1896 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1931 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1931 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1931
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RECIDIVISM REDUCTION SYSTEM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1931 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1931. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1931, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1931 returned to the House as passed.

Senate Bill No. 397 was returned from the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 397 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Senate Bill No. 9 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 302 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 303 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 314 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 375 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 390 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 408 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 426 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 427 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 428 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 429 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

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Senate Bill No. 576 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 577 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 594 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1017

As Engrossed: H1/16/25 H1/23/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES A. COLLINS, SPRINGER, GONZALES WORTHEN, BARNETT, *BROOKS*

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION TO PAY FOR ALL INCURRED COSTS FOR APPROVED PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1017 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1084

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1084 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1086

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1086 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1092

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF PROVIDER SERVICES AND QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1092 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1096

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MEDICAID TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1096 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1101

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S MANSION COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1101 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1107
As Engrossed: H2/27/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF COUNTY OPERATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1107 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1112
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MAKING PAYMENTS FOR CITY-COUNTY TOURIST FACILITIES AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY-COUNTY TOURIST MEETING AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES ASSISTANCE LAW BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1112 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1174
As Engrossed: H3/12/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1174 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1178
As Engrossed: H2/18/25 H3/5/25 H4/1/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *CONCERNING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CONTRACTING OF A MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SUMS COLLECTED BY DISTRICT COURTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COST SHARING FOR DISTRICT COURT EXPENSES; TO ENSURE THE APPROPRIATE DISTRIBUTION OF SUMS COLLECTED BY THE DISTRICT COURT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1178 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1200

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1200 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1206

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1206 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1242

As Engrossed: H2/24/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, *MCGRUDER*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL NURSES; TO AMEND THE MECHANISM BY WHICH SCHOOL NURSES ARE COMPENSATED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1242 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1632

As Engrossed: H3/6/25 H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES; TO REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION FOR FREE OR DISCOUNTED HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1632 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1649
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1649 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1719
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MATERNITY LEAVE SCHOOL PERSONNEL; TO AMEND THE DAYS INCLUDED IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MATERNITY LEAVE DAYS APPROVED BY A SCHOOL THAT OFFERS MATERNITY LEAVE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1719 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1832

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO AMEND THE RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS TO GRANT EXCLUSIVE ORIGINAL JURISDICTION OF FACIAL CONSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES TO THE COURT OF APPEALS; TO AMEND A RULE OF THE SUPREME COURT UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 80, § 9; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1832 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1894

As Engrossed: H4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A METHOD OF VALUATION FOR REAL PROPERTY USED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING; TO ESTABLISH A METHOD OF VALUATION FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1894 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1903
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WALKER, BREAUX, M. BROWN,
JOEY CARR, GRAMLICH, PAINTER
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH FLEXIBILITY REGARDING ALTERNATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1903 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1915
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REQUEST A BROAD-BASED CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY WAIVER; TO AMEND THE ASSET LIMITS FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; TO ALLOW FOR AN AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENT TO THE ASSET LIMIT BASED UPON INFLATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1915 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LOVE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1916

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROTECTING MINORS FROM MEDICAL MALPRACTICE ACT OF 2023; TO INCLUDE GENDER-AFFIRMING INTERVENTIONS AS A RIGHT OF ACTION FOR MEDICAL MALPRACTICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1916 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1917

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, EVANS

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS STUDENT-ATHLETE PUBLICITY RIGHTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO ATHLETIC PROGRAM FUNDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1917 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1926
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, OR NONRENEWAL OF A PERSON'S DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR FAILURE TO PAY A COURT-ORDERED FINE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A DEFENDANT'S INABILITY TO IMMEDIATELY PAY A COURT-ORDERED FINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1926 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1935
As Engrossed: H4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003; TO CREATE A MODERNIZATION AND AUTOMATION TAX CREDIT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT BY EXISTING BUSINESSES WITHIN THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1935 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1945
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; TO ALLOW A STUDENT TO TRANSFER TO ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL WITHIN HIS OR HER RESIDENT DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1945 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1961
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW MEDICAL PROVIDERS TEMPORARY EXEMPTIONS FROM FEDERAL INFORMATION-BLOCKING REGULATIONS TO SAFEGUARD PATIENTS DURING INFORMATION DISCLOSURE; TO PROVIDE THERAPEUTIC PRIVILEGE FOR MEDICAL PROVIDERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1961 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1979
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO ALLOW WARRANTLESS SEARCHES BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF A PERSON PLACED ON SUSPENDED IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1979 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1982
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE USED TIRE RECYCLING AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT; TO CREATE THE TIRE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING ACT; TO REPEAL THE USED TIRE RECYCLING FUND; TO CREATE THE WASTE TIRE ABATEMENT FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1982 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1984
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, EVANS, GAZAWAY
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A DESIGNATION FOR A REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER ON A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1997; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES AND PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1984 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1986
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING EXCUSED ABSENCES FOR CHILDREN OF FALLEN SERVICE MEMBERS AND CHILDREN OF FALLEN FIRST RESPONDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1986 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1987
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES ENNETT, K. FERGUSON
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS, FUNERAL DIRECTORS, CEMETERIES, AND BURIAL SERVICES; TO INCREASE THE CIVIL PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS BY A LICENSEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1987 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 149
SENATE BILL NO. 400
SENATE BILL NO. 441
SENATE BILL NO. 538
SENATE BILL NO. 568
SENATE BILL NO. 585
SENATE BILL NO. 591
SENATE BILL NO. 600
SENATE BILL NO. 614
SENATE BILL NO. 629
SENATE BILL NO. 632
SENATE BILL NO. 634

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 32
SENATE BILL NO. 33
SENATE BILL NO. 34
SENATE BILL NO. 35
SENATE BILL NO. 36
SENATE BILL NO. 40
SENATE BILL NO. 41
SENATE BILL NO. 51
SENATE BILL NO. 52
SENATE BILL NO. 55
SENATE BILL NO. 71
SENATE BILL NO. 81
SENATE BILL NO. 106
SENATE BILL NO. 124
SENATE BILL NO. 621

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 9
SENATE BILL NO. 303
SENATE BILL NO. 314
SENATE BILL NO. 375
SENATE BILL NO. 390
SENATE BILL NO. 408
SENATE BILL NO. 426
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SENATE BILL NO. 572
SENATE BILL NO. 576
SENATE BILL NO. 577
SENATE BILL NO. 594

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 302
SENATE BILL NO. 464

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO.397 AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS TRANSMITTED
TO THE HOUSE AS ADOPTED

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1017
HOUSE BILL NO. 1178
HOUSE BILL NO. 1242
HOUSE BILL NO. 1632
HOUSE BILL NO. 1719
HOUSE BILL NO. 1832
HOUSE BILL NO. 1894
HOUSE BILL NO. 1903
HOUSE BILL NO. 1915
HOUSE BILL NO. 1916
HOUSE BILL NO. 1917
HOUSE BILL NO. 1926
HOUSE BILL NO. 1935
HOUSE BILL NO. 1945
HOUSE BILL NO. 1960
HOUSE BILL NO. 1966
HOUSE BILL NO. 1979
HOUSE BILL NO. 1982
HOUSE BILL NO. 1984
HOUSE BILL NO. 1986
HOUSE BILL NO. 1987

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1084
HOUSE BILL NO. 1086

HOUSE BILL NO. 1092
HOUSE BILL NO. 1096
HOUSE BILL NO. 1101
HOUSE BILL NO. 1107
HOUSE BILL NO. 1112
HOUSE BILL NO. 1174
HOUSE BILL NO. 1200
HOUSE BILL NO. 1206
HOUSE BILL NO. 1649
HOUSE BILL NO. 1961

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1150
HOUSE BILL NO. 1171
HOUSE BILL NO. 1277
HOUSE BILL NO. 1320
HOUSE BILL NO. 1336
HOUSE BILL NO. 1416
HOUSE BILL NO. 1440
HOUSE BILL NO. 1476
HOUSE BILL NO. 1559
HOUSE BILL NO. 1582
HOUSE BILL NO. 1589
HOUSE BILL NO. 1615
HOUSE BILL NO. 1619
HOUSE BILL NO. 1622
HOUSE BILL NO. 1657
HOUSE BILL NO. 1677
HOUSE BILL NO. 1692
HOUSE BILL NO. 1712
HOUSE BILL NO. 1729
HOUSE BILL NO. 1749
HOUSE BILL NO. 1751

HOUSE BILL NO. 1752
HOUSE BILL NO. 1758
HOUSE BILL NO. 1763
HOUSE BILL NO. 1780
HOUSE BILL NO. 1782
HOUSE BILL NO. 1796
HOUSE BILL NO. 1799
HOUSE BILL NO. 1815
HOUSE BILL NO. 1824
HOUSE BILL NO. 1830
HOUSE BILL NO. 1831
HOUSE BILL NO. 1835
HOUSE BILL NO. 1838
HOUSE BILL NO. 1839
HOUSE BILL NO. 1851
HOUSE BILL NO. 1854
HOUSE BILL NO. 1872
HOUSE BILL NO. 1887
HOUSE BILL NO. 1889
HOUSE BILL NO. 1891
HOUSE BILL NO. 1896

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1265
HOUSE BILL NO. 1572
HOUSE BILL NO. 1653
HOUSE BILL NO. 1931

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2
HOUSE BILL NO. 1243 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1454 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL NO. 1543 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1642 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1656 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2
HOUSE BILL NO. 1666 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1679 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2
HOUSE BILL NO. 1695 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1717 AS AMENDED NOS. 1.2 & 3
HOUSE BILL NO. 1734 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1777 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1778 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1779 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1797 AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2
HOUSE BILL NO. 1812 AS AMENDED NOS.1 & 2
HOUSE BILL NO. 1841 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1844 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1845 AS AMENDED NO. 1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1866 AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1810

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

HAVING FAILED TO PASS

HOUSE BILL NO. 1934

HOUSE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE

AS REQUESTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1829

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS RETURNED
TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1008
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1011

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, April 10, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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EIGHTY-EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 10, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call.:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Tucker.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 65 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65

Amend Senate Resolution No. 65 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 26, delete "twenty-one (21)" and replace with "nineteen (19)"

Page 2, delete lines 18-21 and replace with "WHEREAS, twenty-nine (29) states and two (2) territories, including states such as Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, North Carolina, and Tennessee, have committed to implementing the Justice Counts metrics,"

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Resolution No. 65 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 9, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 302, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 303, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 314, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 371, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 375, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 390, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 408, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 426, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 427, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 428, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 429, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 430, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 442, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 446, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 449, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 460, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 464, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 467, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 470, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 485, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 492, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 494, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 495, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 496, BY SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 497, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 515, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 522, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 530, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 540, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,

SENATE BILL NO. 550, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 552, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 553, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 562, BY SENATOR RICKY HILL,
SENATE BILL NO. 567, BY SENATOR STEVE CROWELL,
SENATE BILL NO. 572, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 576, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 577, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 594, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 7:57 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 9
SENATE BILL NO.302
SENATE BILL NO.303
SENATE BILL NO.314
SENATE BILL NO.371
SENATE BILL NO.375
SENATE BILL NO.390
SENATE BILL NO.408
SENATE BILL NO.426
SENATE BILL NO.427
SENATE BILL NO.428
SENATE BILL NO.429
SENATE BILL NO.430
SENATE BILL NO.442
SENATE BILL NO.446
SENATE BILL NO.449
SENATE BILL NO.460
SENATE BILL NO.464

SENATE BILL NO.467
SENATE BILL NO.470
SENATE BILL NO.485
SENATE BILL NO.492
SENATE BILL NO.494
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SENATE BILL NO.515
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SENATE BILL NO.530
SENATE BILL NO.540
SENATE BILL NO.550
SENATE BILL NO.552
SENATE BILL NO.553
SENATE BILL NO.562
SENATE BILL NO.567
SENATE BILL NO.572
SENATE BILL NO.576
SENATE BILL NO.577
SENATE BILL NO.594

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this tenth day of April, 2025 at 8:47 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10., 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 635, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 374, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 523, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1976, BY REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1983, BY REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1290, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1853, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1917, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1918, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1942, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1746, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 54, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 67, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 638, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1063, BY REPRESENTATIVE MAYBERRY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1085, BY REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1491, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1685, BY REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1732, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1807, BY REPRESENTATIVE EAVES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1894, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1934, BY REPRESENTATIVE EAVES,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1960, BY REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 569, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 608, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 640, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 241, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 343, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass to concur in house Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1706, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1739, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1837, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1925, BY REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1524, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1846, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass as amended No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1018, BY REPRESENTATIVE RAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6, BY SENATOR BRIAN KING,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR BRIAN KING
SENATOR ALAN CLARK
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR JIM DOTSON

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 70
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES® FOR FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE IN IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND DIRECTLY IMPACTING THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 70 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 642
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY
BY: REPRESENTATIVE FURMAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE FAMILIES' RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 642 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 362 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 362

JBC 04/09/25 (3)

Amend Senate Bill No. 362 as engrossed S4/3/25:

Page 3, line 20 delete "an" and substitute the following "to the Department of Education a letter that notifies the Department that the Youth Organization's intent is comply with this Act."
AND
Page 3, delete lines 21, 22 and 23 in their entirety
AND

Page 4, delete lines 22 and 23 and substitute the following:
"has a record of fiscal accountability and has a Certificate of Good Standing from the Secretary of State."
AND
Page 4, delete lines 24 through lines 30 in their entirety
AND
Page 4, line 31 strike through the following "~~holding a charter of five years or less~~"
AND
Page 4, delete line 34 in its entirety and substitute the following "investment, or match, including an in-kind match, is made for the program."
AND

Page 4 delete lines 35 and 36 in their entirety
AND
Page 5 delete lines 1 and 2 in their entirety
And
Page 5, line 3 delete "(i)" and substitute "(h)"
And
Page 5, line 5 delete "grants." and substitute "grants and the Department of Education shall report the violation to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee."
And
Page 5, line 6 delete "(j)" and substitute "(i)"

And
Page 5, line 10 delete "(k)" and substitute "(j)".

(SIGNED) SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 362 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 72 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 72

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 72 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 72. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 72, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 72 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 92 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 92

As Engrossed: S3/10/25 S3/31/25 S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 92 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 92. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 92, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 92 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1174 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1174

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1174 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1174. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1174, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1174 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang was recognized for the Joint Budget calendar. After discussion of the Joint Budget calendar and without objection, the following Joint Budget Bills are to be considered in a block vote:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1084
HOUSE BILL NO. 1086
HOUSE BILL NO. 1092
HOUSE BILL NO. 1096
HOUSE BILL NO. 1101
HOUSE BILL NO. 1107
HOUSE BILL NO. 1112
HOUSE BILL NO. 1200
HOUSE BILL NO. 1206
HOUSE BILL NO. 1649

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on The Batch. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1084 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1084
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1084 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1084, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1084 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1086 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1086

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1086 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1086, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1086 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1092 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1092

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF PROVIDER SERVICES AND QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1092 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1092, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1092 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1096 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1096

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MEDICAID TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1096 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1096, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1096 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1101 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1101

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S MANSION COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1101 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1101, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1101 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1107 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1107

As Engrossed: H2/27/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF COUNTY OPERATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1107 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1107, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1107 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1112 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1112

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MAKING PAYMENTS FOR CITY-COUNTY TOURIST FACILITIES AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY-COUNTY TOURIST MEETING AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES ASSISTANCE LAW BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1112 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1112, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1112 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1200 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1200

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No.1200 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1200, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1200 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1206 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1206

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1206 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1206, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1206 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1649 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1649
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1649 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1649, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1649 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator King, Senate Joint Resolution No. 6 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Payton, Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

As Engrossed: S2/20/25 S3/10/25 S3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS PAYTON, STONE, FLIPPO, HILL. IRVIN, M. JOHNSON, RICE, *J. BOYD, CALDWELL, J. DOTSON, HESTER, B. JOHNSON, C. PENZO, G. STUBBLE FIELD, D. WALLACE*

BY REPRESENTATIVES, DUFFIELD, ACHOR, BEATY, JR., BECK, BENTLEY, S. BERRY, BREAUX, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOEY CARR, CAVENAUGH, CHILDRESS, C. COOPER, COZART, CRAWFORD, EATON, GRAMLICH, HALL, HAWK, HOLCOMB, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, J. MAYBERRY, MCCLURE, MCGREW, B. MCKENZIE, MCNAIR, MILLIGAN, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PEARCE, PURYEAR, RA, R. SCOTT RICARDSON, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, SCHULZ, STEIMEL, TORRES, UNDERWOOD, UNGER, VAUGHT, WOOTEN

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS FOR THEIR COMMON DEFENSE, FOR LAWFUL HUNTING AND RECREATIONAL USE, AND FOR ANY OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSE; PROVIDING THAT THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS INCLUDES WITHOUT LIMITATION THE POSSESSION AND USE OF AMMUNITION, FIREARM ACCESSORIES, AND FIREARM COMPONENTS; AND PROVIDING THAT THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS IS A NATURAL, FUNDAMENTAL, AND INDIVIDUAL RIGHT THAT SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 2, § 5, TO PROTECT THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. INTENT OF AMENDMENT. It is the intent of this amendment to the Arkansas Constitution to protect the right to keep and bear arms guaranteed under the Arkansas Constitution.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 2, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Right to keep and bear arms.

(a) The citizens of this State shall have the right to keep and bear arms~~,~~ for:

(1) ~~their~~ Their common defense;

(2) Lawful hunting and recreational use; and

(3) Any other lawful purpose.

(b) The right to keep and bear arms under subsection (a) of this section includes without limitation the possession and use of:

(1) Ammunition;

(2) Firearm accessories; and

(3) Firearm components.

(c) The right to keep and bear arms under subsection (a) of this section is a natural, fundamental, and individual right that shall not be infringed.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 4. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to Amend Arkansas Constitution, Article 2, § 5, to Protect the Right to Keep and Bear Arms.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Davis, Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No.11 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No.11 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Scott, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1010 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1010

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGING, CHILDREN AND YOUTH, AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AND THE SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH TO STUDY WAYS TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM FOR YOUTH COMMITTED TO THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1010 was read the third time and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 346 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 346

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATE EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 346 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 346. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 346, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 346 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 625 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 625

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNT PROGRAM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 625 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson spoke against the bill.

Senator Davis closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Clark, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, King, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dotson, Hester, Johnson, M., C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Johnson, B., McKee.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Payton, Rice.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 625, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Clark, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, King, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dotson, Hester, Johnson, M., C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Johnson, B., McKee.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Payton, Rice.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....31
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator Davis moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause on Senate Bill No. 625 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause on Senate Bill No. 625 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 10, 2025.

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 625, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dees, Dotson, C. Penzo.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Johnson, B..

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 625 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, Senate Bill No. 639 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 639
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR CALDWELL
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HALL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 639 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 639. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Murdock.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 639 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Scott, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 241 at this time.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 241 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 241

Amend Senate Bill No. 241 as engrossed S3/17/25:

Page 2, delete lines 15 through 26, and substitute the following:

"(2)(A) As used in this section, "immediate family member" means the father, mother, sister, brother, husband, wife, child, grandmother, grandfather, grandchild, in-laws, or any individual acting as parent or guardian of the employee.

(B) As used in subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section, "child" means:

(i) A biological child;

(ii) An unborn child;

(iii) A stepchild;

(iv) An adoptive child; or

(v) A child in foster care who has been placed in the home of the employee."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 10 through 12, and substitute the following:

"(f)(1)(A) If the administrator of a catastrophic leave program elects to grant catastrophic leave to an employee under subsection (c)(1)(B) of this section, the employee shall be eligible for up to forty (40) hours of catastrophic leave with pay each calendar year for the death of an immediate family member."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 241, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Scott, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 241 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 241

As Engrossed: S3/17/25 H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PILKINGTON, *CLOWNEY, WOOLDRIDGE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; TO GRANT PAID LEAVE TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S FAMILY MEMBER OR CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 241 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Scott moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 241.

Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.241 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 258 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 258 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 258

As Engrossed: S2/27/25 S3/13/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS DIGITAL RESPONSIBILITY, SAFETY, AND TRUST ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 258 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 17

NEGATIVE: Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Stone.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., McKee, Murdock, Rice, Tucker.

Total 7

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 28
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senator Bill No. 469 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 469 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 469
As Engrossed: S3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COUNTY CAMPAIGN POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEES; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 469 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Dotson, Johnson, M., King, Payton, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 9

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Leding, Love, McKee, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 21

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dees, Flippo, Johnson, B., Murdock, Rice.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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On motion of Senator M. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 569 at this time.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 569 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 569

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN AMENDMENT TO ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1, TO REQUIRE THAT THE BALLOT TITLE OF A PROPOSED MEASURE BE READABLE, CLEAR, AND CONCISE AND NOT EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED WORDS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 569 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

Senator Mark Johnson closed for the bill.

Senator M. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 569. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: English, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Irvin, King, Rice.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator M. Johnson moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 569 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 569 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 10, 2025.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 608 at this time.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 608 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 608
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RUNOFF ELECTIONS FOR COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 608 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Caldwell, Murdock.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 608 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 635 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 635 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 635
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO AUTHORIZE BOTTLE LOCKERS IN CERTAIN RESTAURANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 635 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senatro Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 635. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Dees, Dotson, Flowers, Gilmore, Love, Sullivan.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Hammer.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 635 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Boyd, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 638 at this time.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 638 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 638
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, HENLEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF SALES AND USE TAX ON THE SALE OF A NEW OR USED MOTORBOAT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DIRECT PAYMENT OF SALES AND USE TAX ON A MOTORBOAT SOLD BY A MOTORBOAT DEALER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 638 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 638.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.638 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 640 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 640 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 640
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO RECONSTITUTE THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 640 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Scott, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, King, Murdock.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 640 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arkansas Senate LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

Fred Love, Senator

Minority Whip
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PO Box 788
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April 10, 2025

The Honorable Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of State
State Capitol Bldg., Room 320
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

This letter serves as written notification that I was recorded incorrectly voting YES on the vote to Senate Bill No. 640. I should have been recorded as a **NO** vote on Senate Bill No. 640 for the final passage today. Please file this letter in the official Senate Journal of the regular Ninety-Fifth General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR FRED LOVE

Enclosures

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1524 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1524 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1524

Amend House Bill No. 1524 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 36, delete "This section does not" and substitute "The provisions of this section concerning the preparation and approval of plans and specifications do not"

(SIGNED) SENATOR BEN GILMORE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1524 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dees, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1746 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1746 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1746

Amend House Bill No. 1746 as originally introduced:

Page 4, delete lines 25 through 31, and substitute the following:

"(24) "Money" means a medium of exchange that is currently authorized or adopted by a domestic or foreign government. The term includes a monetary unit of account established by an intergovernmental organization or by agreement between two (2) or more countries. "Money" does not include a central bank digital currency."

AND

Page 36, delete lines 26 through 28, and substitute the following:

"(29) "Deposit account" means a demand, time, savings, passbook, or similar account maintained with a bank. The term "deposit account" does not include investment property, central bank digital currency, or accounts evidenced by an instrument."

(SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1746 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1846 at this time.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1846 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1846

Amend House Bill No. 1846 as engrossed H4/3/25:

Add Senator Irvin as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1846 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1186 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1186

As Engrossed: H1/28/25 H2/12/25 S3/5/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE PAIN RELIEF PARITY ACT; TO REQUIRE PAIN RELIEF PARITY IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1186 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1186. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1186 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1252 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1252
As Engrossed: H2/13/25 S4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE CERTIFIED COMMUNITY-BASED DOULA CERTIFICATION ACT; TO CERTIFY BIRTH AND POSTPARTUM DOULAS IN THIS STATE TO IMPROVE MATERNAL AND INFANT OUTCOMES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1252 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1252.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: McKee.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1252 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1484 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1484

As Engrossed: H2/26/25 H3/3/25 H3/4/25 H3/11/25 H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF *CREDITS* A STUDENT MAY OBTAIN IN A COURSE CREDIT RECOVERY PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1484 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1484. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1484 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1523 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1523
As Engrossed: H2/20/25 S4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MISSING PERSONS ALERTS; TO CODIFY THE ARKANSAS AMBER ALERT SYSTEM; TO CODIFY THE *ARKANSAS SILVER ALERT SYSTEM; TO CREATE THE MISSING ENDANGERED ADULT ADVISORY SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1523 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1523. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1523 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1555 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1555

As Engrossed: S3/31/25 S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH UNIFORM PROCEDURES FOR FILLING A VACANCY IN A MUNICIPAL OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1555 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1555. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1555 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1606 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1606
As Engrossed: H3/12/25 S4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF CERTAIN VEHICLES ON PUBLIC ROADWAYS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A UTILITY TASK VEHICLE ON A PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY; TO ALLOW A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF A UTILITY TASK VEHICLE ON A DESIGNATED PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY WITHIN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION; TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR A UTILITY TASK VEHICLE OPERATING ON A PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1606 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1606. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1606 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1784 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1784

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MODIFY THE INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS FOR LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1784 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1784. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1784 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1735 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1735
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; TO REVISE MEMBERSHIP IN THE ONE CALL CENTER UNDER THE ARKANSAS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1735 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1735. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1735 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1756 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1756

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY SERVICE DIPLOMA REQUIREMENT; TO ALLOW A PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR PERSON STANDING IN LOCO PARENTIS TO A STUDENT TO DOCUMENT AND MAINTAIN THE COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS THE STUDENT OBTAINS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1756 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1756. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1756 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1800 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1800
As Engrossed: H4/1/25 S4/8/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE; TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE BY A *REPRESENTATIVE OF A HOSTILE FOREIGN PRINCIPAL; TO* AMEND PORTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1800 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1800. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Love.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Murdock, Payton, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1800 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1801 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1801

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN OUTSOURCING FACILITY OF LEGEND DRUGS AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THAT COMPOUNDS A PRODUCT TO SELL THE COMPOUNDED PRODUCT TO CERTAIN ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1801 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1801. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1801 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1827 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1827
As Engrossed: S4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HUNTING HERITAGE PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1827 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1827. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1827 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1840 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1840

As Engrossed: S4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT TO ENSURE THAT SEDATION DENTISTRY IS COVERED BY RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1840 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1840. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1840 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1845 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1845
As Engrossed: S4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HOLCOMB
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ELECTRONIC ADMINISTRATION OF DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE TRANSFER AND OWNERSHIP OF MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH AN ELECTRONIC LIEN SYSTEM, AN ELECTRONIC TITLING SYSTEM, AND AN ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM; TO ALLOW FOR AN ELECTRONIC APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATE OF TITLE; TO AUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF A SECURE DIGITAL VEHICLE TITLE SYSTEM; TO AUTHORIZE ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATES OF TITLE; TO ALLOW FOR ELECTRONIC DISCLOSURE OF ODOMETER READINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1845 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton spoke against the bill.

Senator Hill closed for the bill.

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1845. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dismang, Dotson, Johnson, M., Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1845 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

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On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1847 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1847

As Engrossed: H4/2/25 S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GAMBLING; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS RACING COMMISSION TO MAINTAIN A STATEWIDE SELF-EXCLUSION LIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1847 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1847. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1847 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

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The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1847 passed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1886 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1886
As Engrossed: S4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PEARCE
BY: SENATORS D. WALLACE, *IRVIN*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER AS THE OFFICIAL CANINE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1886 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1886. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Clark, Flowers.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dees.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1886 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1957 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1957

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNSOLICITED COMMERCIAL AND SEXUALLY EXPLICIT ELECTRONIC MAIL PREVENTION ACT TO INCLUDE UNSOLICITED COMMERCIAL AND SEXUALLY EXPLICIT TEXT MESSAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1957 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1957. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1957 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1958 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1958
As Engrossed: S4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE PUBLIC ENTITIES TO CREATE A POLICY CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZED USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1958 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1958. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1958 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1963 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1963

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GONZALES, L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE WHO PRESCRIBES A STIMULANT MAY SUBSTITUTE A THERAPEUTICALLY EQUIVALENT MEDICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1963 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1963. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1963 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1877 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1877
As Engrossed: H4/7/25 S4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES S. MEEKS, *ACHOR, BARNES, BARNETT, BEATY, JR., BECK, BENTLEY, BREAUX, BROOKS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, R. BURKES, CRAWFORD, EUBANKS, FURMAN, GRAMLICH, HOLLOWELL, LADYMAN, LUNDSTRUM, LYNCH, MADDOX, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON, MCGREW, MCGRUDER, B. MCKENZIE, MILLIGAN, J. MOORE, NAZARENKO, PAINTER, PEARCE, RICHMOND, ROSE, RYE, M. SHEPHERD, UNDERWOOD, VAUGHT*
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL OFFENSES RELATED TO POSSESSION OF SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL THAT DEPICTS A CHILD; TO INCLUDE A COMPUTER GENERATED IMAGE THAT IS INDISTINGUISHABLE FROM THE IMAGE OF A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1877 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1877. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1877 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1524, BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE,
BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Gilmore, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1524 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1524
As Engrossed: S4/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE BIDDING PROCEDURE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1524 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1524. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Payton.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1524 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1846, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1846 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1846
As Engrossed: H4/3/25 S4/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS 2036 COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1846 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1846. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1846 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 10, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 10, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 227 - ACT 505
Senate Bill No. 104 - ACT 514
Senate Bill No. 257 - ACT 515
Senate Bill No. 323 - ACT 516
Senate Bill No. 118 - ACT 517
Senate Bill No. 320 - ACT 518
Senate Bill No. 324 - ACT 519
Senate Bill No. 64 - ACT 532
Senate Bill No. 128 - ACT 533
Senate Bill No. 130 - ACT 534
Senate Bill No. 132 - ACT 535
Senate Bill No. 332 - ACT 536
Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 362, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1562, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RONALD CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR MATT STONE
SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT
SENATOR BEN GILMORE
SENATOR GREG LEDING
SENATOR STEVE CROWELL
SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 71
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT SENATOR DISMANG BE AUTHORIZED TO PURSUE THE CONSIDERATION OF SJR 15 AS A THIRD PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 71 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 72
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT SENATOR DOTSON BE AUTHORIZED TO PURSUE THE CONSIDERATION OF SJR 13 AS A THIRD PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

. Senate Resolution No. 72 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Dees the Senate rescinded its previous action in the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 1746.

On motion of Senator Dees, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1746 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1746 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1746

As Engrossed: S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1746 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1746. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1746 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 32 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 33 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 34 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 35 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 36 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 40 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 41 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 51 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 52 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 55 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 71 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 81 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 106 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 124 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 10, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 622, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR GREG LEDING
SENATOR RICKY HILL
SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO
SENATOR FRED LOVE

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 73
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT SENATOR KING BE AUTHORIZED TO PURSUE THE CONSIDERATION OF SJR 6 AS A THIRD PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 73 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1106

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING EXPENSES AND DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM/SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1106 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1126

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1126 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1312

As Engrossed: H4/7/25 H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BROOKS, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1312 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1332

As Engrossed: H3/31/25 H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO *EVALUATE CLAIMS FOR DIAGNOSES FREQUENCY OF OBESITY-RELATED CONDITIONS AND PRESENT THE COSTS; TO ALLOW HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS TO OFFER OPTIONAL COVERAGE OF UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION-APPROVED ANTI-OBESITY MEDICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1332 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1625

As Engrossed: H3/13/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARNETT

BY: SENATOR R. MURDOCK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSED HOME INSPECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1625 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1762

As Engrossed: H4/3/25 H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HALL, ET AL

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE REVOCATION OF A PERMIT FOR THE DISPOSAL OF *INDUSTRIAL* WASTE IN AN AGRICULTURAL OR PASTORAL APPLICATION FOR A CERTAIN NUMBER OF VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1762 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1806
As Engrossed: H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE CURRICULUM TRANSPARENCY FOR PARENTS OF KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWELVE STUDENTS; TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION TO CREATE AN ONLINE PORTAL FOR PARENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF TO ACCESS SCHOOL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS; TO ALLOW A PARENT TO REVIEW AND OPT OUT OF SELECTED LIBRARY MEDIA MATERIALS FOR HIS OR HER CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1806 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1874
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; TO AMEND THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING THAT IS USED BY THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES; TO REQUIRE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING THAT EXCEEDS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT AWARDED TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS TO BE USED TO IMPLEMENT ACTS 2023, NO. 237, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "LEARNS ACT"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1874 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1919

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATORS J. DOTSON, *M. MCKEE, C. PENZO*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCESS AND TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCESS TO LEARNING MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1919 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1933
As Engrossed: H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; TO CREATE A RECALL ELECTION AND PETITION FOR REMOVAL FOR A MEMBER OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1933 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1959
As Engrossed: H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE USE OF A WRIT OF SCIRE FACIAS AS THE MEANS OF REVIVING AN OUTSTANDING* JUDGMENT; TO ALLOW A JUDGMENT TO BE REVIVED BY NOTICE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FEES TO BE CHARGED BY CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1959 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1967

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE UNLAWFUL DISTRIBUTION OF SEXUAL IMAGES OR RECORDINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1967 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1974

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES LONG, MCALINDON, *R. BURKES*

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMPLOYMENT; TO PROHIBIT STATE ENTITIES FROM EMPLOYING UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS; TO ESTABLISH THE E-VERIFY REQUIREMENT ACT; TO REQUIRE STATE ENTITIES TO USE E-VERIFY TO CONFIRM EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1974 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1975
As Engrossed: H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CHILD CONTENT CREATION PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1975 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1988
As Engrossed: H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISTRIBUTION OF AUTO AUCTION FEES FOR SALVAGE-TITLED OR PARTS-ONLY TITLED VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH AUTO AUCTION FEES FOR SALVAGE-TITLED OR PARTS-ONLY TITLED VEHICLES MAY BE USED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1988 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1991
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS RELATED TO A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS FIRE PREVENTION CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1991 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1994
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITIES; TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION BY A SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY TO AN OCCUPANT WHEN THE OCCUPANT'S LEASED SPACE IS COMPROMISED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1994 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1995
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR RICE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN PERRY COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1995 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 2001
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY REFORM AND EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2025; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY BOARD; TO AMEND THE QUALIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY BOARD; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A LIEN PLACED ON CARGO OR THE CONTENTS OF A PERSONAL VEHICLE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 2001 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 608
SENATE BILL NO. 635
SENATE BILL NO. 638
SENATE BILL NO. 639
SENATE BILL NO. 640

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 72
SENATE BILL NO. 92
SENATE BILL NO. 346
SENATE BILL NO. 354
SENATE BILL NO. 625

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 32
SENATE BILL NO. 33
SENATE BILL NO. 34
SENATE BILL NO. 35
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SENATE BILL NO. 41
SENATE BILL NO. 51
SENATE BILL NO. 52
SENATE BILL NO. 55
SENATE BILL NO. 71
SENATE BILL NO. 81
SENATE BILL NO. 106
SENATE BILL NO. 124

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE HOUSE AS ADOPTED

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1312
HOUSE BILL NO. 1332
HOUSE BILL NO. 1625
HOUSE BILL NO. 1762
HOUSE BILL NO. 1806
HOUSE BILL NO. 1874
HOUSE BILL NO. 1919
HOUSE BILL NO. 1933
HOUSE BILL NO. 1959
HOUSE BILL NO. 1967
HOUSE BILL NO. 1974
HOUSE BILL NO. 1975
HOUSE BILL NO. 1988
HOUSE BILL NO. 1991
HOUSE BILL NO. 1994
HOUSE BILL NO. 1995

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1106
HOUSE BILL NO. 2001

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1185
HOUSE BILL NO. 1187
HOUSE BILL NO. 1285

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1084
HOUSE BILL NO. 1086
HOUSE BILL NO. 1092
HOUSE BILL NO. 1096
HOUSE BILL NO. 1101
HOUSE BILL NO. 1107
HOUSE BILL NO. 1112
HOUSE BILL NO. 1174
HOUSE BILL NO. 1200
HOUSE BILL NO. 1206
HOUSE BILL NO. 1649

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL NO. 1186
HOUSE BILL NO. 1252
HOUSE BILL NO. 1484
HOUSE BILL NO. 1523
HOUSE BILL NO. 1524
HOUSE BILL NO. 1606
HOUSE BILL NO. 1735
HOUSE BILL NO. 1784
HOUSE BILL NO. 1846
HOUSE BILL NO. 1756
HOUSE BILL NO. 1800
HOUSE BILL NO. 1801
HOUSE BILL NO. 1827
HOUSE BILL NO. 1840
HOUSE BILL NO. 1845
HOUSE BILL NO. 1847
HOUSE BILL NO. 1877
HOUSE BILL NO. 1957
HOUSE BILL NO. 1958
HOUSE BILL NO. 1963

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE

AS PASSED AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2

HOUSE BILL NO. 1746
HOUSE BILL NO. 1555

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED

TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1010

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 10:30 a.m., Monday, April 14, 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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NINETY-SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 14, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10:30 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Pastor George Shears.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

Senator Hester moved that for the remainder of the Session Senate Bills that are amended in the House will go directly to the calendar for concurrence and final vote. Motion carried.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 32, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 33, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 34, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 35, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 36 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 40, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 41, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 51, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 52, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 55, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 71, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 81, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 106, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 124, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 241, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 8:47 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 32
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SENATE BILL NO. 241

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this Fourteenth day of April, 2025 at 8:47 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1991, BY REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1995, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1312, BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1719, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1874, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKENZIE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1933, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1966, BY REPRESENTATIVE BARNETT,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1986, BY REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRWOMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JOINT BUDGET, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 636, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 637, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1178, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1832, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1926 BY REPRESENTATIVE UNGER,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1979, BY REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 397, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass to concur in House Amendment No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1876, BY REPRESENTATIVE S. RICHARDSON,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1913, BY REPRESENTATIVE J. MOORE,
HOUSE BILL NO. 2001, BY REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1988, BY REPRESENTATIVE TOSH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG, VICE CHAIRMAN

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 74
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE COLLEGE OF THE OZARKS WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM, FEATURING FOUR (4) PLAYERS FROM ARKANSAS, AS THE 2025 NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION DIVISION I NATIONAL CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 74 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 643
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. SULLIVAN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN PUBLIC UTILITIES TO REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 643 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Resolution No. 71 was called up for third reading..

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 71
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT SENATOR DISMANG BE AUTHORIZED TO PURSUE THE CONSIDERATION OF SJR 15 AS A THIRD PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 71 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King spoke against the resolution.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Dotson, King, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Leding, Payton, Rice.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the resolution 24

So the Resolution passed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Resolution No. 71 was read third time and adopted.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Resolution No. 60 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 60
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS DEES, J. DOTSON

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE GRAVETTE HIGH SCHOOL LIONS WRESTLING TEAM AS THE 2025 CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 60 was read third time and adopted

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 65 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65
As Engrossed: S4/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, GILMORE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ARKANSAS'S ENGAGING THE JUSTICE COUNTS METRICS AND TO URGE POLICYMAKERS THROUGHOUT STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES TO IMPLEMENT AND UTILIZE THE JUSTICE COUNTS METRICS AND COMMIT TO MAKING THE LATEST CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA AVAILABLE.

Senate Resolution No. 65 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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On motion of Senator King, Senate Resolution No. 73 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 73
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. KING

A SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT SENATOR KING BE AUTHORIZED TO PURSUE THE CONSIDERATION OF SJR 6 AS A THIRD PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Senate Resolution No. 73 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson spoke for the resolution.
Senator Irvin spoke on the resolution.
Senator Stubblefield spoke for the resolution.
Senator King closed for the resolution.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:
AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, Flippo, Hammer, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 16

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Flowers, Gilmore, Hickey, Stone.
Total 5
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Hester, Irvin, Leding, McKee, Payton.
Total 11
EXCUSED:
Total 0
VOTING PRESENT: Love, Scott, Tucker.
Total 3

Total number of votes cast 24
Necessary to the passage of the resolution 24

So the Resolution failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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Senator King moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Resolution No. 73 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Resolution No. 73 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 343 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 343

Amend Senate Bill 343 as engrossed S3/10/25:

Page 3, delete lines 13 through 21, and substitute the following:

"(B) "State-owned vehicles" does not include vehicles that are owned by a cabinet-level department of the executive branch of state government and used for law enforcement."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 343 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 343 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 343
As Engrossed: S3/10/25 H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATE ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETARY PROCEDURE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING STATE-OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC PROPERTY; TO AMEND THE AUTOMOBILE AND PICKUP TRUCK ACQUISITION ACT FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 343 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 343. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 343 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 367 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 367

Amend Senate Bill No. 367 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Gramlich

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 367 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 367 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 367

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN FUND FOR POLLUTION CONTROL AND PREVENTION TECHNOLOGIES ACT; TO REPEAL THE SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 367 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 367.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 367 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 374 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 374

Amend Senate Bill 374 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 22 through 25, and substitute the following:
"(3)(A) Public advertisement of all examinations by publication of notice in some newspaper having a bona fide circulation in the city and by posting of notice at the city hall at least ten (10) days before the date of the examinations."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE WING

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 374 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 374 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 374

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 374 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 374. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 374 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 523 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 523

Amend Senate Bill No. 523 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 23, delete "Legislative" and substitute "DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative"

AND

Page 2, delete line 18, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 3-4-405(a)(18)-(20), concerning certain actions by private clubs that are Class C permit violations, are repealed.

~~(18) Failure to maintain membership books or properly maintain guestbooks by a private club;~~

~~(19) Allowing an unauthorized guest in a private club;~~

~~(20) Dispensing to nonmembers or nonguests by a private club;~~

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 3-5-1901(7), concerning the definition of a"

AND

Delete SECTION 10, SECTION 11, and SECTION 12 in their entirety, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 3-9-202(14), as amended by Acts 2025, No. 421, § 3, concerning the definition of a private club, is amended to read as follows:

(14)~~(A)(i)~~ "Private club" means~~, except as provided in subdivision (14)(D) of this section,~~ a nonprofit corporation, sole-proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or limited liability company organized and existing or authorized to do business under the laws of this state~~, no part of the net revenues of which shall inure directly or indirectly to the benefit of any of its members or any other individual, except for the payment of bona fide expenses of the club's operations, and which is conducted for some common recreational, social, patriotic, political, national, benevolent, athletic, community hospitality, professional association, entertainment, or other nonprofit object or purpose other than the consumption of alcoholic beverages.~~

~~(ii) The nonprofit corporation shall have been in existence for a period of not less than one (1) year before applying for a permit, as prescribed in this subchapter.~~

~~(iii) At the time of application for the permit, the nonprofit corporation must have not fewer than one hundred (100) members and at the time of application must own or lease, be the holder of a buy-sell agreement or offer and acceptance, or have an option to lease a building, property, or space therein for the reasonable comfort and accommodation of its members and their families and guests and restrict the use of club facilities to those persons.~~

~~(B) For purposes of this subdivision (14), a person shall be required to become a member of the private club in any wet area of the state only upon ordering an alcoholic beverage as defined under subdivision (1) of this section.~~

~~(C) Furthermore, where the business entity that holds a private club permit additionally holds a retail beer permit, retail wine for consumption on the premises permit, or cafe or restaurant wine permit, the hours of operation authorized for the private club shall likewise apply to all permits of the business entity.~~

~~(D) A corporation, partnership, individual, or limited liability company applying for a hotel, restaurant, or large-event facility private club permit under § 3-9-221(a)(3)(B) is not required to form a nonprofit corporation but shall otherwise comply with all requirements of § 3-9-240~~;

SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 3-9-221, as amended by Acts 2025, No. 421, § 3, is amended to read as follows:

3-9-221. Private clubs — Exception from alcoholic beverage laws.

(a) The General Assembly recognizes that:

~~(1) Many individuals in this state serve mixed drinks containing alcoholic beverages to their friends and guests in the privacy of their homes and, in addition, that many individuals associated together in private nonprofit corporations established for fraternal, patriotic, recreational, political, social, or other mutual purposes as authorized by law, established not for pecuniary gain, have provided for their mutual convenience and for the preparation and serving to themselves and their guests mixed drinks prepared from alcoholic beverages owned by the members individually or in common under a so-called "locker", "pool", or "revolving fund" system;~~

~~(2) Many individuals travel to this state to assemble at regional meetings and conventions to associate with other individuals who are members of professional and social organizations and that:~~

~~(A) Many of the restaurants and entertainment facilities used for the meetings and conventions promote the hospitality of the host communities where the restaurants, convention, and entertainment facilities are located;~~

~~(B) Many of the host organizations plan to serve mixed drinks containing alcoholic beverages to their friends and guests at these meetings and while entertaining and dining during these conventions; and~~

~~(C) Many of the host communities have individuals who have associated together in private nonprofit corporations established for recreational, social, community hospitality, professional association, entertainment, or other mutual purposes established, not for pecuniary gain, but for their mutual convenience and to provide for the preparation and serving to themselves and their guests mixed drinks prepared from alcoholic beverages owned by the members individually or in common under a so-called locker, pool, or revolving fund system; and~~

~~(3)~~(A)~~(i)~~(1)(A) ~~That there~~ There are a number of counties or parts of counties where the public retail sale of intoxicating liquors has not been approved by the voters.

~~(ii)~~(B) However, within those counties or parts of counties there are significant developments of tourism facilities and large-event facilities that promote the economic development of the state~~.~~;

~~(B)~~(2) To ensure that tourism and large-event facilities as well as other associated activities are allowed to exist to promote the economic development in the state, a new hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit, for use in those places where the public retail sale of intoxicating liquors is not authorized, should be created~~.~~;

~~(C)~~(3) These permits are necessary so that persons visiting hotels~~, restaurants,~~ or large-event facilities in these areas will be able to enjoy the amenities that a person might find in other states~~.~~;

~~(D)~~(4) This additional permit will enhance the experience of going to hotels~~, restaurants,~~ or large-event facilities that may display items of historic interest, contain extensive art collections, or host musical or dramatic presentations~~.~~; and

~~(E)~~(5) Further, since the counties or parts of counties in which these hotels~~, restaurants,~~ or large-event facilities will be located do not allow the open public retail sale of intoxicating liquors, the hotel facilities~~, restaurants,~~ or large-event facilities should be allowed to offer alcoholic beverages to guests.

(b)(1) In order to clarify the alcoholic beverage control laws of this state and to regulate and prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in violation of the provisions of this subchapter and other applicable alcoholic beverage control laws of this state, the General Assembly determines that the preparation, mixing, and serving of mixed drinks, beer, and wine for consumption only on the premises of a private club as

defined in ~~§ 3-9-202(14)~~ § 3-9-202 ~~by the members thereof and their guests~~ and the making of a charge for such services shall not be deemed to be a sale or be in violation of any law of this state prohibiting the manufacture, sale, barter, loan, or giving away of intoxicating liquor whenever:

(A) ~~The~~ If the private club permittee is a nonprofit organization, the alcoholic beverages, beer, and wine ~~so~~ consumed ~~have been~~ may be furnished or drawn from private stocks thereof belonging to ~~such~~ the members, individually or in common under a so-called locker, pool, or revolving fund system ~~and are~~ that is replenished only at the expense of ~~such~~ the members; and

(B) The private club has acquired a permit from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, in ~~such~~ the form as the board may appropriately determine.

(2)(A) A private club may serve any alcoholic beverage ~~furnished or drawn under the provisions of subdivision (b)(1) of this section~~ on the golf course on which the private club is located when the private club is hosting a professional golf tournament or other charitable golf tournament sponsored by a charitable organization described in 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3) and the Director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division has been notified by the private club at least sixty (60) calendar days prior to the beginning of the event.

(B) Persons attending the event may purchase alcoholic beverages from the private club ~~shall be deemed guests of the private club, and the club may serve the alcoholic beverages to the guests for cash~~.

(C) The director may promulgate rules he or she deems necessary to implement this subdivision (b)(2).

(c) In order to clarify the alcoholic beverage control laws of this state and to regulate and prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in violation of the provisions of this subchapter and other applicable alcoholic beverage control laws of this state, the General Assembly determines that the preparation, mixing, and serving of wine and beer for consumption only by the lodging guests on the premises of a bed and breakfast private club as defined in ~~§ 3-9-202(2)~~§ 3-9-202 and the making of a charge for ~~such~~ the services shall not be deemed to be a sale or to be in violation of any law of this state prohibiting the manufacture, sale, barter, loan, or giving away of intoxicating liquor whenever:

(1) ~~The wine and beer so consumed have been furnished or drawn from private stocks belonging to an owner of the bed and breakfast private club and are replenished only at the expense of such owner;~~

~~(2)~~ The wine and beer consumed must have been purchased in an Arkansas licensed retail alcoholic beverage store, as authorized by the director;

~~(3)~~(2) The average annual volume of wine and beer consumed shall not exceed three gallons (3 gals.) per month per guest room; and

~~(4)~~(3) The bed and breakfast private club has acquired a permit from the board in such form as the board may appropriately determine.

SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 3-9-222(c)(3), as amended by Acts 2025, No. 421, § 4, concerning the contents of the notice required to be published by an

applicant for a private club permit, is amended to read as follows:

(3) The notice shall give the names of the managing agent ~~and the nonprofit corporation~~ or~~, in the case of a bed and breakfast private club,~~ the name of the business owner~~,~~ and shall state:

(A) That the manager~~, or in the case of a bed and breakfast private club or a hotel, restaurant, or large-event facility private club~~, the owner, at least one (1) partner, or the majority stockholder is a citizen of Arkansas;

(B) That he or she is of good moral character;

(C) That he or she has never been convicted of a felony or had a license to sell or dispense alcoholic beverages revoked within the five (5) years preceding the date of the notice; and

(D) That he or she has never been convicted of violating the laws of this state or of any other state governing the sale or dispensing of alcoholic beverages."

AND

Page 10, delete line 17, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 16. Arkansas Code § 3-9-226(b)(2), concerning the prohibition on advertising or promoting the consumption of alcoholic beverages by private clubs, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The prohibition on advertising or promoting the consumption of alcoholic beverages under subdivision (b)(1) of this section does not require a private club to block visibility through the private club's windows, ~~or~~ doors, or barriers to prevent the general public from viewing patrons consuming alcoholic beverages, including without limitation through the use of window tinting.

SECTION 17. Arkansas Code § 3-9-226(c)(3), concerning the requirement"

AND

Delete SECTION 18 in its entirety, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 18. Arkansas Code § 3-9-240, as amended by Acts 2025, No. 421, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

3-9-240. Hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit.

(a)(1) An application for a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit shall be in writing and shall provide information concerning the applicant for the hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit and the premises to be used by the applicant as the Director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division requires.

(2) A hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit may be issued only in a county or a territory of a county that does not allow the public retail sale of intoxicating liquors as provided under § 3-8-201.

(3) A hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit may

be issued to a corporation, partnership, individual, or limited liability company.

(b) The application for a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit shall be accompanied by a check or money order for the amount required by this section for the hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit.

(c) A hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit application shall contain a description of the premises permitted and provide proof that the space has at least:

(1) Eighty (80) lodging rooms and five thousand square feet (5,000 sq. ft.) of public meeting, banquet, or restaurant space from a hotel; or

(2) Ten thousand square feet (10,000 sq. ft.) of interior or exterior public meeting, banquet, exhibit hall, or restaurant space from a large-event facility~~; or~~

~~(3) Seating capacity for not fewer than one hundred (100) people in the restaurant that otherwise complies with the requirements of § 3-9-202(16)~~.

(d) If the director grants an application for a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit, he or she shall issue a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit in a form as determined by the rules of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division.

(e)(1) A hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit authorizes the dispensing, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages by and to guests on the premises of a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility for on-premises consumption.

(2) The areas of a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility that may be utilized by a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permittee for purposes of a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit include without limitation:

(A) Sleeping rooms;

(B) Pool-side bars;

(C) Banquet facilities;

(D) Restaurants;

(E) Lobbies;

(F) Exhibit halls;

(G) Patios; and

(H) Outdoor gardens.

(3) Guests of the hotel or large-event facility private club permittee that holds a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit may move from one area to another area designated under subdivision (e)(2) of this section while consuming alcoholic beverages.

(f)(1) A person must be a guest of the hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permittee to consume or possess alcoholic beverages dispensed by the hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permittee.

(2) Persons under twenty-one (21) years of age may be allowed on the premises of the hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permittee.

(3)(A) A hotel holding a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private

club permit under this section may use room service to serve the alcoholic beverage.

(B) The hotel holding a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit may stock a sleeping room with alcoholic beverages, and the hotel or large-event facility private club permittee through the hotel's employees shall inventory the alcoholic beverages in the sleeping room.

(C) Sleeping rooms that are solely occupied by persons twenty (20) years of age and under shall not receive alcoholic beverages through room service or be stocked with alcoholic beverages.

(g)(1)(A) For a hotel ~~and a restaurant~~, the application and renewal fee for a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit is one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500) per year payable on or before June 30 of each calendar year for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

(B) In an area in which the sale of intoxicating liquor has not been authorized by local option as provided under § 3-8-201 et seq., the application for a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit shall be accompanied by an additional application fee of one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500).

(2) The application and renewal fee for a large-event facility for a hotel~~, restaurant,~~ or large-event facility private club permit is two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) per year payable on or before June 30 of each calendar year for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

(h) The director shall promulgate rules to enforce this section."

AND

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 523 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 523 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 523

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A PRIVATE CLUB BE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 523 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 523. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dees, Gilmore, Love.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 2

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Hammer.

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 523 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Tucker, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1865 at this time.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1865 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1865

Amend House Bill No. 1865 as engrossed S4/8/25:

Add Representative Clowney as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Add Senator C. Tucker as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 33 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(3) Sexual offenses, § 5-14-101 et seq.;
(4) Voyeurism offenses, § 5-16-101 et seq.;
(5) The Human Trafficking Act of 2013, § 5-18-101 et seq.;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 11, and substitute the following:

"(6) The Arkansas Protection of Children Against Exploitation Act of 1979, § 5-27-301 et seq.;

(7) Use of children in sexual performances, § 5-27-401 et seq.; and

(8) Computer crimes against minors, § 5-27-601 et seq."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 15 through 17, and substitute the following:

"(2) Fifteen (15) years for a Class A felony;

(3) Ten (10) years for a Class B felony;

(4) Five (5) years for a Class C felony; and"

AND

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1865 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator M. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 569 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 569

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS M. JOHNSON, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, A. CLARK

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN AMENDMENT TO ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1, TO REQUIRE THAT THE BALLOT TITLE OF A PROPOSED MEASURE BE READABLE, CLEAR, AND CONCISE AND NOT EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED WORDS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 569 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Love, Murdock, Scott, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flippo, Leding, McKee.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 569 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 54 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 54

JBC 04/10/25 (5)

Amend House Bill No. 54 as engrossed S4/7/25:

Page 1, line 35, delete "102" and insert "104"

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "8" and insert "14"

AND

Page 2, line 2, delete "_53" and insert "_54"

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "280" and insert "289"

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "$23,693,247" and insert "$24,408,568"

AND

Page 2, line 14, delete "8,203,736" and insert "8,488,415"

AND

Page 2, line 17, delete "_$31,942,383" and insert "_$32,942,383".

(SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 54 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 67 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 2.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 67

JBC 04/10/25 (6)

Amend Senate Bill No. 67 as engrossed S4/9/25:

Page 3, line 18, delete "171" and insert "182"

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "305" and insert "316"

AND

Page 4, line 16, delete "$24,035,305" and insert "$24,735,305"

AND

Page 4, line 18, delete "8,058,242" and insert "8,358,242"

AND

Page 4, line 27, delete " $34,596,803" and insert " $35,596,803".

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 67 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1106 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1106

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING EXPENSES AND DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM/SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1106 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1106. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 1106, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 1106 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1126 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1126
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1126 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1126. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1126, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1126 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 362 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 362
As Engrossed: H4/3/25 S4/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS TO YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 362 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 362. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No.362, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 362 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Joint Resolution No. 1018 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1018

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RAY, *ACHOR, ET AL*

BY: SENATORS J. PAYTON, *J. BRYANT, DEES, HILL, B. JOHNSON, M. MCKEE, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. WALLACE*

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE "THE CITIZENS ONLY VOTING AMENDMENT"; TO PROVIDE THAT ONLY A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES MEETING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION MAY VOTE IN AN ELECTION IN THIS STATE; AND PROVIDING THAT A PERSON WHO DOES NOT MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS

OF AN ELECTOR UNDER THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED TO VOTE IN ANY STATE OR LOCAL ELECTION HELD IN THIS STATE.

Subtitle

THE CITIZENS ONLY VOTING AMENDMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Short title. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution shall be known and may be cited as "The Citizens Only Voting Amendment."

SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution, Article 3, § 1, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1. Qualifications of electors.

(a)(1) Only a citizen of the United States meeting the qualifications of an elector under this section may vote in an election in this state.

(2) A person who does not meet the qualifications of an elector under this section shall not be permitted to vote in any state or local election held in this state.

~~(a)~~(b) Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, ~~any person may vote in an election in this state who~~ to vote in an election in this state a person shall be:

(1) A citizen of the United States;

(2) A resident of the State of Arkansas;

(3) At least eighteen (18) years of age; and

(4) Lawfully registered to vote in the election.

~~(b)(1)~~(c)(1) In addition to the qualifications under subsection ~~(a)~~(b) of this section, the General Assembly shall provide by law that a voter shall:

(A) Present valid photographic identification before receiving a ballot to vote in person; and

(B) Enclose a copy of valid photographic identification with his or her ballot when voting by absentee ballot.

(2) The General Assembly shall establish by law the types of photographic identification that a person may present to comply with subdivision ~~(b)(1)~~(c)(1) of this section.

~~(c)~~(d) The State of Arkansas shall issue photographic identification at no charge to an eligible voter who does not have a form of photographic identification meeting the requirements of the law enacted by the General Assembly under this section.

~~(d)(1)(A)~~(e)(1)(A) A voter unable to present valid photographic identification when voting in person shall be permitted to vote a provisional ballot.

(B) An absentee ballot that is not accompanied by a copy of valid photographic identification shall be considered a provisional ballot.

(2) A provisional ballot under subdivision ~~(d)(1)~~(e)(1) of this section shall be counted only if the voter subsequently certifies the provisional ballot in a manner provided by law.

~~(e)(1)~~(f)(1) The General Assembly shall implement the provisions of this amendment by law.

(2) The General Assembly may provide by law for exceptions to the requirement that a voter:

(A) Present valid photographic identification before receiving a ballot to vote in person; and

(B) Enclose a copy of valid photographic identification with his or her ballot when voting by absentee ballot.

~~(f)~~(g) A voter meeting the requirements of this section also shall comply with all additional laws regulating elections necessary for his or her vote to be counted.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment is effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 4. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment to be Known as "The Citizens Only Voting Amendment" and Providing That Only a Citizen of the United States Meeting the Qualifications of an Elector Under the Arkansas Constitution May Vote in an Election in this State.".

House Joint Resolution No. 1018 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Love.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the adoption of the House Joint Resolution.....18

House Joint Resolution No. 1018 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Payton moved to add House Joint Resolution No. 1018 in the Senate. Motion carried.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 11:59 a.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 54, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1952, BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON
SENATOR BRYAN KING
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR KIM HAMMER

SENATE BILL NO. 644
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AN UNLAWFUL DETAINER ACTION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EXECUTION OF A WRIT OF POSSESSION; TO ALLOW FOR THE REMOVAL OF

A MANUFACTURED HOME OR MOBILE HOME FROM PROPERTY THAT IS SUBJECT TO A WRIT OF POSSESSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 644 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1003 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1003

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: HOUSE MANAGEMENT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - STAFF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1003 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1003. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1003, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1003 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1142 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1142

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. BROWN

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE REPRODUCTIVE EMPOWERMENT AND SUPPORT THROUGH OPTIMAL RESTORATION (RESTORE) ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1142 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1142. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1142 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1185 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1185
As Engrossed: H2/13/25 H2/26/25 H2/27/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE DIETITIAN LICENSURE COMPACT IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1185 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1185. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1185 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1187 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1187

As Engrossed: H3/3/25 H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1187 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1187. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1187 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1285 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1285

As Engrossed: H2/20/25 H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN EXEMPTION PROGRAM FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE'S OPERATORS FOR CERTAIN HEALTHCARE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1285 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1285. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1285 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1428 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1428
As Engrossed: H2/19/25 H2/26/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEIMEL
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING PUBLIC LODGING; TO PROVIDE A BED HEIGHT REQUIREMENT FOR MOBILITY ACCESSIBLE ROOMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1428 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1428. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Caldwell, Crowell, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, Hickey, Hill, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 14

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Boyd, Davis.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1428 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1433 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1433

As Engrossed: H2/12/25 H2/18/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES *K. MOORE, MCCULLOUGH, HUDSON*

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO IS EXECUTING OR SERVING AN ORDER OF PROTECTION TO SERVE ANY OUTSTANDING CRIMINAL WARRANTS RELATED TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR OFFENSES IN WHICH THE PETITIONER FOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION IS THE VICTIM OF THE OFFENSE SPECIFIED IN THE WARRANT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1433 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1433. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1433 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Flippo, House Bill No. 1439 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1439
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE LADYMAN
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FROM LICENSURE AS A PRIVATE CARE AGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1439 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flippo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1439. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1439 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1456 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1456
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE
BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE KIDNEY DISEASE COMMISSION TO BE AN ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1456 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1456. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1456 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1458 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1458
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "CREDENTIALING INFORMATION" WHEN THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD IS PROVIDING INFORMATION TO CREDENTIALING ORGANIZATIONS; TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE STATUS OF UNITED STATES DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1458 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1458. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1458 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1529 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1529

As Engrossed: H3/19/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES S. MEEKS, *ACHOR, ET AL*

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING DEEPFAKE VISUAL MATERIAL OF A SEXUAL NATURE; TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF *UNLAWFUL CREATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF DEEPFAKE VISUAL MATERIAL; TO ESTABLISH A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR UNLAWFUL CREATION OF DEEPFAKE VISUAL MATERIAL;* AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1529 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1529. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, King, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1529 returned to the House as passed.

Senator Leding requested leave for Senator Flowers. Leave granted.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1537 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1537
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LADYMAN, MCGRUDER
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LOCATION ACT FOR COMMUNITY HOMES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1537 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1537. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, King, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1537 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1580 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1580
As Engrossed: H3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INFORMATION ON TYPE 1 AND TYPE 2 DIABETES WHEN OTHER HEALTH INFORMATION IS PROVIDED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1580 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1580. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Payton.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1580 returned to the House as passed

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1585 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1585
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FROM LICENSURE AS A HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICE TO AN ENTITY THAT SOLELY PROVIDES THERAPY SERVICES THAT ARE NOT REIMBURSED BY MEDICARE PART A; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1585 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1585. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1585 returned to the House as passed

On motion of Senator Murdock, House Bill No. 1627 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1627

As Engrossed: H3/17/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BARNETT, A. COLLINS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX RELIEF; TO REQUIRE COUNTIES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS CONCERNING CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX RELIEF OFFERED UNDER ARKANSAS LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1627 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Murdock moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1627. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Payton.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1627 returned to the House as passed.

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1646 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1646

As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE FIVE LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN MATERIALS TO BE STORED IN LOCKED *COMPARTMENTS* WITHIN A DESIGNATED AREA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1646 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan spoke against the bill

A pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1646

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone.

Total 16

NEGATIVE: English, Flowers, Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Davis, Flippo, King, Murdock, Wallace.

Total 6

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Crowell, Hickey, Hill, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 7

Total number of votes cast.....29

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator McKee moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1646 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1646 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1662 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES B. MCKENZIE, ET AL

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOBBYING FOR A COVERED FOREIGN ENTITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1662 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan spoke against the bill.
Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.
Senator Rice spoke against the bill.
Senator Dismang spoke for the bill.
Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator B. Johnson closed for the bill.

A pair was announced at the desk.

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REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone.

Total 16

NEGATIVE: Clark, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 14

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Davis.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Hammer, Hill.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator B. Johnson moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1662 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. House failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1672 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1672

As Engrossed: H3/31/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAWS CONCERNING THE DISTRICT OF INNOVATION PROGRAM; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO CREATE A MORE EFFICIENT SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF INNOVATION IN ARKANSAS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS QUALITY CHARTER SCHOOLS ACT OF 2013; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1672 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1672. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Tucker.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1672 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1680 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1680
As Engrossed: H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, ET AL
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OWNERSHIP OF REAL PROPERTY AND AGRICULTURAL LAND; TO PROHIBIT A FOREIGN-PARTY-CONTROLLED BUSINESS FROM LEASING AN INTEREST IN LAND; TO DEFINE "CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE" AS USED IN RELATION TO FOREIGN OWNERSHIP OF LAND; TO PROHIBIT A PROHIBITED FOREIGN PARTY FROM HOLDING AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY OR AGRICULTURAL LAND IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1680 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1680. Motion carried.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1680

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL
SECRETARY OF SENATE

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1680 returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 67, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1865, BY REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT,
BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copies with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1961, BY REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR RICKY HILL
SENATOR GREG LEDING
SENATOR DAVID WALLACE
SENATOR CLINT PENZO

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1730 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1730
As Engrossed: H4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. BROWN, *J. RICHARDSON*
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO *AMEND* THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE AND TRANSFER OF WHOLESALE PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1730 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1730. Motion carried.

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dees, Dotson, Love.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1730 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1764 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1764

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNDERWOOD

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A VIOLATION OF AN ORDER OF PROTECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1764 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1764. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1764 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1767 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1767

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL; TO CREATE THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE; TO TRANSFER THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1767 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1767. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Dotson, McKee.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1767 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1768 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1768

As Engrossed: H3/20/25 H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVS LUNDSTRUM, UNGER

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL CONTRACT RELATING TO A HOST FEE TO BE VOTED ON AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF A HOST COMMUNITY IN WHICH THE LANDFILL IS LOCATED; TO REQUIRE RENEWAL OR RENEGOTIATION OF THE HOST FEE WITHIN A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1768 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1768. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1768 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1783 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1783
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY, PEARCE
BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REDUCTION OF A CITY OF THE FIRST CLASS TO A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1783 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1783. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 1

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1783 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1786 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1786

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TUITION BENEFITS FOR SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD; TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY FOR A TUITION BENEFIT TO SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN ATTENDING CERTAIN PRIVATE TWO-YEAR AND FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1786 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1786. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1786 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1793 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1793
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DUKE
BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL SUPPORTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1793 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1793. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 27

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.
Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:
Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.
Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang, Irvin.
Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1793 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1805 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1805
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "BULLYING" WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC SCHOOL ANTIBULLYING POLICIES; TO CREATE A PROCESS WHEREBY A PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY CONDUCT MULTIPLE, SIMULTANEOUS INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE SAME ALLEGATION OF BULLYING UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1805 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1805. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1805 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1809 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1809

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARREN

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF DISABLED VETERANS; TO ALLOW FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY A TRUST OR A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO QUALIFY AS A HOMESTEAD FOR PURPOSES OF THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF DISABLED VETERANS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1809 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

A Pair was announced at the desk

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

House BILL NO.1809

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1809. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1809 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1817 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1817

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELIJAH'S LAW IN ARKANSAS; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE ANAPHYLAXIS POLICY FOR CHILDCARE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1817 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1817. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Payton.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1817 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 1:40 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1974, BY REPRESENTATIVE LONG,
BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR KIM HAMMER
SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1826 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1826

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR DELIVERY OF A NEWBORN IN A LICENSED BIRTHING CENTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1826 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1826. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: McKee.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Payton.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1826 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1833 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1833

As Engrossed: H3/20/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, *ACHOR, F. ALLEN, BROOKS, M. BROWN, CAVENAUGH, CLOWNEY, A. COLLINS, EAVES, EVANS, GRAMLICH, HAWK, L. JOHNSON, MADDOX, PERRY, PILKINGTON, TORRES, TOSH, UNDERWOOD, WARREN*

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. BOYD, *HESTER, G. LEDING*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled:AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ADMISSIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COLLEGE OF MEDICINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1833 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

A Pair was announced at the desk.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO.1833

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Gilmore.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1833 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1850 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1850
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, PERRY
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICES; TO CLARIFY THE MINIMUM ALLOWABLE REIMBURSEMENT FOR GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1850 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1850. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson, McKee, Payton.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1850, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson, McKee, Payton.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1850 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1855 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1855
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT
BY: SENATORS K. HAMMER, J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE LAWS RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS; TO AMEND THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ADJUST FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARIES HAVING OVERLAPPING BOUNDARIES; TO AMEND THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO RECOMMEND CHANGES TO OTHER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1855 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1855. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, Sullivan.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1855 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1863 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1863

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, PERRY

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT MANAGER ACT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1863 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1863.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1863, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1863 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1869 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1869

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE MATERNAL OUTCOMES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; TO ORGANIZE MATERNAL HEALTH RESOURCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1869 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1869. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Payton.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, McKee.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1869 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1870 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1870
As Engrossed: H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WING
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS; TO ALLOW THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PROVIDE A VOTER REGISTRATION LIST TO FEDERAL COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1870 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

A Pair was announced at the desk.

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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1870

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1870. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Murdock.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1870 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1875 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1875

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES TOSH, ET AL

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATORY PERIOD FOR THE USE OF AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1875 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1875. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1875 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1893 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1893
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS; TO AUTHORIZE A PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNER OR BUSINESS OWNER TO BAN AN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL FROM THE PRIVATE PROPERTY OR THE BUSINESS PREMISES; TO REGULATE LIABILITY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY RELATED TO EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1893 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1893. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1893 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1895 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1895
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EXCEPTIONS TO THE PROHIBITION AGAINST PRACTICING LAW FOR A CORPORATION OR VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION LAWFULLY ENGAGED IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES; TO ALLOW A CORPORATION OR VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION TO EMPLOY IN-HOUSE ATTORNEYS TO REPRESENT AFFILIATES OF THE CORPORATION OR VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1895 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1895. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1895 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1898 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1898
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE DIVISIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO COMBINE THE EXISTING REGULATORY AND ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS RELATED TO TOBACCO, MEDICAL MARIJUANA, AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO CREATE THE REGULATORY DIVISION AND THE REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO COMBINE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION AND THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION INTO THE REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION; TO ALLOW FOR PERSONNEL OF THE REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO BE DESIGNATED AS AGENTS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1898 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1898. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Clark, Dotson, King, McKee, C. Penzo.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Payton.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1898 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1901 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1901
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PASSPORT FEES COLLECTED BY COUNTY PASSPORT ACCEPTANCE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1901 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1901. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1901 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1902 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1902
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MILLIGAN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE AND BOND; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A LOST, BURNED, OR DESTROYED CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1902 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1902. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1902 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1921 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1921

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TORRES

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHILD WELFARE AGENCY LICENSING ACT; TO AMEND THE TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR FOSTER PARENTS; TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS OF TRAINING AND CERTIFYING RELATIVES AS FOSTER PARENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1921 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1921. Motion carried.

Senator Love spoke against the bill.

Senator Dees closed for the bill.

A Pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO.1921

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR TYLER DEES

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Love.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1921 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1922 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1922
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003; TO CREATE AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR RELOCATING CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS TO THIS STATE; TO ENCOURAGE CORPORATIONS TO RELOCATE TO ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1922 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton spoke against the bill.

A Pair was announced at the desk.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS SENATE
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO.1922

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1922. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Johnson, M., King, Love, Payton, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1922 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1923 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1923
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MADDOX
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TOURISM DEVELOPMENT ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NATURAL STATE INITIATIVE OPPORTUNITY ZONES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1923 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1923. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1923 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1928 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1928
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN
BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SOIL NUTRIENT APPLICATION AND POULTRY LITTER UTILIZATION ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DESIGNATED NUTRIENT APPLICATION; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING POULTRY LITTER MANAGEMENT PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1928 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1928. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dees.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1928 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1929 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1929

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE RECOGNIZING JUDEA AND SAMARIA ACT; TO PROHIBIT STATE AGENCIES FROM USING THE TERM "WEST BANK" IN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1929 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1929. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: English, Flippo, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Leding, Murdock, Scott, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Love.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1929 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1937 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1937
As Engrossed: H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN
BY: SENATORS STONE, CALDWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE METHOD OF VALUATION FOR MINERAL RIGHTS UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5; TO CLARIFY THE METHOD OF VALUATION FOR OIL AND GAS WELL PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT; TO PROVIDE FOR CONSISTENCY AND UNIFORMITY IN VALUATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1937 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1937. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1937 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, and without objection, the House was requested to return Senate Bill No. 347 for further consideration.

On motion of Senator Hester, and without objection, the House was requested to return House Bill No. 1847 for further consideration.

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April 14, 2025

The Honorable Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks:

The Senate respectfully requests the return to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 347.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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April 14, 2025

The Honorable Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks:

The Senate respectfully requests the return to the Senate, House Bill No. 1847.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1938 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1938
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE CREATION OF DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLANS AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1938 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1938. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1938 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1939 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1939
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TEACHER INCENTIVE AND MERIT PAY; TO AMEND REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING SUMMATIVE EVALUATIONS UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM; TO AMEND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE MERIT TEACHER INCENTIVE FUND PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1939 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1939. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1939 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1941 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1941
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOEY CARR
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF GOVERNMENT AND RESTRUCTURE AND REPEAL THE DUTIES OF CERTAIN BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; TO PROTECT ARKANSAS STUDENTS BY ENSURING THE EFFICIENT DISPOSITION OF ETHICS COMPLAINTS AGAINST TEACHERS; TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1941 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1941. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1941 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Resolution No. 46 was called up for third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 46
As Engrossed: S3/19/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, *IRVIN*

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS ROCKETS GOLF TEAM AS THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 46 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Resolution No. 47 was called up for third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 47
As Engrossed: S3/18/25 S3/20/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS C. TUCKER, IRVIN, *M. JOHNSON*

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MOUNT ST. MARY ACADEMY BELLES GOLF TEAM AS THE CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 47 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1964 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1964
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS
BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MOVE THE CHILD WELFARE OMBUDSMAN DIVISION FROM THE ARKANSAS CHILD ABUSE/RAPE/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION AND THE JUVENILE OMBUDSMAN DIVISION OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION FROM THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL AND RENAME AS THE DIVISION OF OMBUDSMEN; TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF THE CHILD WELFARE OMBUDSMAN AND THE OFFICE OF THE JUVENILE OMBUDSMAN; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1964 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1964. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1964, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 1964 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1965 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1965
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCULLOUGH
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTHY FOOD RETAIL ACT OF 2025; TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR HEALTHY FOOD RETAILERS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1965 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1965. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dees, Flippo, Hill, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Rice.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1965 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1954 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1954
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDREWS
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST REGISTRATION ACT; TO INCLUDE QUALIFIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST REGISTRATION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1954 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1954.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, McKee.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1954 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 at this time.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15

As Engrossed: S3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS WITHIN CITIES, COUNTIES, OR COOPERATIVE AREAS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

Subtitle

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if

a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Loans and grants of public money. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Arkansas Constitution, the General Assembly may provide for the creation of programs and the making of loans and grants of public money for the public purposes of:

(1) Development and diversification of the economy of the State of Arkansas;

(2) The elimination and prevention of unemployment or underemployment in the State of Arkansas;

(3) The development or expansion of transportation or commerce in the State of Arkansas; or

(4) The development or improvement of real estate in the State of Arkansas that contributes to economic development within the State of Arkansas.

(b) The authority under subsection (a) of this section includes without limitation providing for the creation of economic development districts.

SECTION 2. Economic development district projects.

(a) An economic development district may issue bonds for the purpose of financing projects within the economic development district.

(b) The bonds under subsection (a) of this section:

(1) May be secured by and be payable from all or a portion of any funds received by or allocated to the economic development district;

(2) Shall not be considered in calculating debt limits for bonds issued under Arkansas Constitution, Article 12, § 4; and

(3) Shall not be subject to the provisions of:

(A) Arkansas Constitution, Article 16, § 1;

(B) Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 62; or

(C) Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 65.

SECTION 3. Implementation. The General Assembly shall provide by law for the implementation of this amendment.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Constitution, Article 12, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Political subdivisions not to become stockholders in or lend credit to private corporations — Exceptions.

(a) No county, city, town or other municipal corporation, shall become a stockholder in any company, association, or corporation; or obtain or appropriate money for, or loan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution, or individual.

(b) However, a county, city, town, or other municipal corporation may obtain or appropriate money for a corporation, association, institution, or individual to:

(1) Finance economic development projects; ~~or~~

(2) Provide economic development services; or

(3) Provide funding or lend credit to an economic development district.

(c) As used in this section:

(1) "Economic development district" means a designated area within a city, county, or cooperative area established under authority granted by the General Assembly to promote economic development within the designated area;

~~(1)~~(2) "Economic development projects" means the land, buildings, furnishings, equipment, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that are required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:

(A) Manufacturing, production, and industrial facilities;

(B) Research, technology, and development facilities;

(C) Recycling facilities;

(D) Distribution centers;

(E) Call centers;

(F) Warehouse facilities;

(G) Job training facilities;

(H) Regional or national corporate headquarters facilities; ~~and~~

(I) Sports complexes designed to host local, state, regional, and national competitions, including without limitation baseball, softball, and other sports tournaments; and

(J) An economic development district as authorized by the General Assembly and designated as part of an economic development plan;

~~(2)~~(3) "Economic development services" means:

(A) Planning, marketing, and strategic advice and counsel regarding job recruitment, job development, job retention, and job expansion;

(B) Supervision and operation of industrial parks or other such properties; and

(C) Negotiation of contracts for the sale or lease of industrial parks or other such properties; and

~~(3)~~(4) "Infrastructure" means:

(A) Land acquisition;

(B) Site preparation;

(C) Road and highway improvements;

(D) Rail spur, railroad, and railport construction;

(E) Water service;

(F) Wastewater treatment;

(G) Employee training which may include equipment for such purpose; and

(H) Environmental mitigation or reclamation.

(d) The General Assembly, by a three-fourths vote of each house, may amend the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section so long as the amendments are germane to this section and consistent with its policy and purposes.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Constitution, Article 16, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

§ 5. Property taxed according to value — Procedures for valuation — Tax exemptions.

(a) All real and tangible personal property subject to taxation shall be taxed according to its value, that value to be ascertained in such manner as the General Assembly shall direct, making the same equal and uniform throughout the State. No one species of property for which a tax may be collected shall be taxed higher than another species of property of equal value, except as provided and authorized in Section 15 of this Article, and except as authorized in Section 14 of this Article. The General Assembly, upon the approval thereof by a vote of not less than three-fourths (¾ths) of the members elected to each house, may establish the methods and procedures for valuation of property for taxation purposes, but may not alter the method of valuation set forth in Section 15 of this Article.

(b)(1) The following property shall be exempt from taxation: public property used exclusively for public purposes; churches used as such; cemeteries used exclusively as such; school buildings and apparatus; libraries and grounds used exclusively for school purposes; and buildings and grounds and materials used exclusively for public charity.

(2) If property exempt from taxation under subdivision (b)(1) of this section is included in an economic development district, the tax status of the property shall not change.

(c) Property located within an economic development district created by the General Assembly shall be exempt from taxation except for taxes, assessments, or other charges levied by the economic development district of which the property is a part.

(d) Nothing in this Section shall affect or repeal the provision of Amendment 57 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas pertaining to intangible personal property.

SECTION 6. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 62, § 6, is amended to read as follows:

§ 6. Conduct of elections.

(a) The General Assembly may enact laws governing the conduct of elections authorized by this Amendment. Absent the enactment of such laws, such elections shall be held, called and conducted in accordance with the laws governing elections generally. The results of such election shall be published in a newspaper of

general circulation in the county or municipality (as the case may be) and any contest of such election or the tabulation of the votes therein shall be brought within thirty (30) days after such publication or shall be forever barred.

(b)(1) Any bonds or other obligations of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision facilitating the development and diversification of the economy of the state that are issued for the purpose of making loans or grants in connection with a program authorized by the General Assembly under this amendment and that are payable from ad valorem taxes shall be approved by a vote of the majority of the qualified electors of the county, municipality, or political subdivision voting on the issue.

(2) A program created or a loan or grant made by an economic development district that is secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes of the economic development district does not constitute or create a debt for the purpose of any provision of this Constitution.

SECTION 7. Repealer — Construction.

(a) Any provision of this Constitution, including without limitation amendments to this Constitution, that conflicts with or is in any way inconsistent with this amendment is repealed or deemed modified to give precedence to this amendment.

(b) This amendment supersedes all previous constitutional provisions, amendments, laws, or judicial interpretations that conflict with this amendment's terms.

(c) If this amendment conflicts with any existing constitutional provision, amendment, law, or judicial interpretation, this amendment shall prevail and be given full force and effect.

SECTION 8. Severability. The provisions of this amendment are severable, and if any provision of this amendment should be held invalid, the remainder shall stand.

SECTION 9. Effective date. This amendment to the Arkansas Constitution shall be effective on and after January 1, 2027.

SECTION 10. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this joint resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "A Constitutional Amendment Concerning Economic Development in the State of Arkansas; and Authorizing the General Assembly to Provide for the Creation of Economic Development Districts Within Cities, Counties, or Cooperative Areas to Promote Economic Development Within the Economic Development District.".

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

A Pair was announced at the desk.

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NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR JIM DOTSON

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dotson, King, Payton, C. Penzo, Stubblefield.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the Resolution 18

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Crowell, House Bill No. 1063 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1063

As Engrossed: H3/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, *RAY*

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE PROGRAM ACT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF "DISABILITY CERTIFICATION" AND "ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL" TO CHANGE THE DISABILITY ONSET AGE FROM TWENTY-SIX TO FORTY-SIX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1063 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1063. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: McKee.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1063 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1085 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1085
As Engrossed: H1/29/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN ACT; TO ADOPT CHANGES IN FEDERAL LAW CONCERNING TAX-DEFERRED TUITION SAVINGS PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCOME TAX LIABILITY FOR DISTRIBUTIONS FROM AN ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN OR OTHER TAX-DEFERRED TUITION SAVINGS PROGRAM TO A ROTH INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT; TO ADOPT FEDERAL LAW CONCERNING THE INCOME TAX TREATMENT OF ROLLOVER CONTRIBUTIONS FROM AN ARKANSAS BRIGHTER FUTURE FUND PLAN OR OTHER TAX-DEFERRED TUITION SAVINGS PROGRAM TO A ROTH INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1085 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1085. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1085 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1290 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1290

As Engrossed: H2/6/25 H2/11/25 H2/20/25 H3/20/25 S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES L. JOHNSON, VAUGHT

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS EXAMINATIONS; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS SUPPORT OF MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS EXAMINATIONS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1290 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1290. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Davis, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, Hill, McKee, Payton, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, C. Penzo, Rice.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1290 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1491 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1491
As Engrossed: H3/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, J. RICHARDSON
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXCISE TAX ON CERTAIN BEER AND SAKE; TO CREATE AN EXCISE TAX CREDIT FOR CERTAIN BEER AND SAKE PRODUCED USING ARKANSAS RICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1491 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator M. Johnson spoke against the bill.

A Pair was announced at the desk.

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REGULAR SESSION

DATE April 14, 2025

PAIR VOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1491

VOTING YEA (SIGNED) SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS

VOTING NAY (SIGNED) SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 23

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dees, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Johnson, M., Love, Payton, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1491 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1685 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1685

As Engrossed: H3/17/25 H4/1/25 S4/8/25 S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES UNDERWOOD, *MCCOLLUM, RAY, ACHOR, BARKER, BEATY, JR. BENTLEY, BREAUX, BROOKS, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, N. BURKES, R. BURKES, JOHN CARR, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, EVANS, FURMAN, GAZAWAY, GONZALES, GRAMLICH, HAWK, HOLLOWELL, LONG, LUNDSTRUM, MCALINDON, MCCLURE, M. MCELROY, B. MCKENZIE, J. MOORE, PAINTER, PILKINGTON, J. RICHARDSON, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, ROSE, RYE, TORRES, VAUGHT, WOOLDRIDGE*

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE GROCERY TAX RELIEF ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SALES AND USE TAXES LEVIED ON FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS, AS AFFIRMED BY REFERRED ACT 19 OF 1958; TO EXEMPT FOOD AND FOOD INGREDIENTS FROM STATE SALES AND USE TAXES; TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES TO ARKANSAS TAX LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1685 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester motioned to remove Senator Flowers from leave. Motion granted.

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1685. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1685 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

Senator Leding requested leave for Senator Flowers. Leave granted.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1706 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1706
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS; TO PROHIBIT RANKED CHOICE VOTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1706 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1706. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Tucker.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Scott.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1706 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Leding, House Bill No. 1732 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1732

As Engrossed: H3/18/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, *ANDREWS, K. BROWN, M. BROWN, JOEY CARR, CAVENAUGH, CLOWNEY, A. COLLINS, CRAWFORD, EAVES, D. GARNER, GRAMLICH, HOLCOMB, HUDSON, LADYMAN, MADDOX, MAGIE, MCCLURE, MCCULLOUGH, M. MCELROY, MCGREW, MCGRUDER, MCNAIR, MILLIGAN, J. MOORE, K. MOORE, PAINTER, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, RYE, SPRINGER, UNGER, WALKER, WARREN, D. WHITAKER, WOOLDRIDGE, WOOTEN,*

BY: SENATORS G. LEDING, CROWELL, K. HAMMER, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TAX BENEFITS FOR TEACHERS; TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTION ALLOWED FOR A TEACHER'S CLASSROOM INVESTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1732 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1732. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1732 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1739 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1739

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC LEGAL MATERIALS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1739 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1739. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1739 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1807 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1807
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES EAVES, *A. COLLINS, M. BROWN, MAGIE, LUNDSTRUM*
BY: SENATORS J. PAYTON, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR AIRCRAFT HELD FOR RESALE AND USED FOR RENTAL OR CHARTER; TO CLARIFY THE PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR AIRCRAFT HELD FOR RESALE AND USED FOR RENTAL OR CHARTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1807 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1807. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1807 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1837 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1837

As Engrossed: H4/3/25 S4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DISCLOSURE FOR MATTERS REFERRED TO VOTERS; TO BAN FOREIGN FUNDING FOR BALLOT MEASURES; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1837 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator King spoke on the bill.

Senator Hammer closed for the bill.

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1837. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1837 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1853 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1853

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, HAWK

BY: SENATORS C. PENZO, J. DOTSON, HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGENCY RELATIONSHIP AND DUTIES RELATED TO REAL ESTATE LICENSES; TO CLARIFY THE OBLIGATIONS OF DUAL AGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1853 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1853. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1853 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1894 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1894

As Engrossed: H4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A METHOD OF VALUATION FOR REAL PROPERTY USED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING; TO ESTABLISH A METHOD OF VALUATION FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 16, § 5; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1894 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1894. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1894 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1917 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1917
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS STUDENT-ATHLETE PUBLICITY RIGHTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO ATHLETIC PROGRAM FUNDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1917 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Rice, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 16

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, English, Gilmore, Hill, Irvin, King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Davis, Hickey, Petty.

Total 4

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Hammer, Stubblefield.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Hester moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1917 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1917 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1918 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1918

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATORS J. DOTSON, *C. PENZO, M. MCKEE*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SPECIE OR LEGAL TENDER; TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF A BULLION DEPOSITORY; TO ALLOW FOR A PRECIOUS METALS-BACKED ELECTRONIC SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1918 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1918. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: King.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1918 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1925 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1925
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT *TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ABSENTEE BALLOTS; TO AMEND THE ABSENTEE BALLOT VOTER STATEMENT; TO REQUIRE A WITNESS FOR THE SIGNATURE OF AN ABSENTEE VOTER STATEMENT; AND FOR* OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1925 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1925. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1925 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1935 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1935

As Engrossed: H4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EAVES

BY: SENATOR GILMORE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003; TO CREATE A MODERNIZATION AND AUTOMATION TAX CREDIT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT BY EXISTING BUSINESSES WITHIN THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1935 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1935. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Dotson.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1935 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1960 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1960
As Engrossed: S4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW
BY: SENATOR STONE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN TAXES TO LEASED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT AND PAYMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES ON CERTAIN LEASED MOTOR VEHICLES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE LESSEE OF A LEASED MOTOR VEHICLE IS THE OWNER OF THE LEASED MOTOR VEHICLE FOR PURPOSES OF THE ASSESSMENT AND PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM TAX LIMITATION ON THE LEVY OF LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES ON SALES OF CERTAIN TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1960 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1960. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Clark, Hill, Irvin, Payton, Sullivan.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Hickey, Rice.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1960 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Dotson, House Bill No. 1976 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1976
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO
BY: SENATOR J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING VERTIPORTS; TO CREATE THE OPEN ACCESS TO PUBLIC-USE VERTIPORTS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1976 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1976. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Gilmore.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1976 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1865 at this time.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Bill No. 1865 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1865
As Engrossed: S4/8/25 S4/14/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT, GAZAWAY, BARNETT, M. BROWN, HUDSON, L. JOHNSON, MADDOX, PEARCE, R. SCOTT RICHARDSON, ROSE, *CLOWNEY*
BY: SENATORS GILMORE, C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE AN ENHANCED PENALTY FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES AGAINST A CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1865 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Gilmore moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1865. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1865 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Davis, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 622 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 622 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 622
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PILKINGTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE THE PROHIBITION ON A TIRE RETAILER FROM CHARGING OTHER FEES TO A PERSON WHO PURCHASES THE SERVICE OF REMOVAL OF A TIRE FROM A RIM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 622 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton spoke for the bill.

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No.622. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Hill.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.622 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1683, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN
SENATOR BRIAN KING
SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR ALAN CLARK

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1917 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1917
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES M. SHEPHERD, EVANS
BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS STUDENT-ATHLETE PUBLICITY RIGHTS ACT; TO AMEND THE LAW RELATED TO ATHLETIC PROGRAM FUNDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1917 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Flippo, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Clark, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hill, Irvin, King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Sullivan.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Hickey, Stubblefield.

Total 3

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1917 was returned to the House as passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 645

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR CROWELL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NATURAL RESOURCES; TO CONDUCT A STUDY RELATED TO CRITICAL MINERALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 645 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 4:44 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

Senate Bill No. 347 was ordered returned from the House as requested.

House Bill No. 1847 was ordered returned from the House as requested.

On motion of Senator Wallace, the Senate requested the return of Senate Bill No. 440 from the Governor's office.

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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April 14, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor, State of Arkansas
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

The Senate respectfully requests the return to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 440.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Penzo moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 347 passed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 347 was ordered re-referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

Senator Payton moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1847 passed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Payton, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1847 at this time.

The record pertaining to the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1847 was receded from, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 14, 2025.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1847 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1847

Amend House Bill No. 1847 as engrossed H4/2/25:

Page 2, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:
"(b) of this section shall be paid from amounts forfeited by:

(1) Self-excluded individuals under this section; and

(2) Persons otherwise excluded from a casino by the commission or a casino licensee."

AND

Page 3, delete line 15, and substitute the following:

"the self-exclusion list.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Effective date. This act is effective on and after July 1, 2026."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1847 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 5:14 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

Senate Bill No. 440 was returned from the Governor as requested.

On motion of Senator Wallace, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 440 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 347, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1762, BY REPRESENTATIVE HALL,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass as amended No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR MISSY IRVIN, CHAIR
SENATOR GREG LEDING
SENATOR DAVID WALLACE
SENATOR RICKY HILL
SENATOR FRED LOVE

On motion of Senator Penzo, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 347 at this time.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 347 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 347

Amend Senate Bill No. 347 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 28 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall increase reimbursement rates for:

(A) Oral and maxillofacial surgeons' dental services, including anesthesia;

(B) Pediatric dental services, including anesthesia; and

(C) Dental services for adults with special needs.

(2) Beginning on September 1, 2025, the reimbursement rates under subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall be set to sixty percent (60%) of the fiftieth percentile for national fees as determined by the annual National Dental Advisory Service Comprehensive Fee Report adjusted for the state.

(b) Beginning on September 1, 2025, the program shall increase the annual reimbursement cap for dental services for adults with special needs from five hundred dollars ($500) to one thousand dollars ($1,000)."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 16

(SIGNED) SENATOR CLINT PENZO

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 347 was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Petty, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1762 at this time.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1762 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 1.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1762

Amend House Bill No. 1762 as engrossed H4/9/25:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 8-4-103, concerning criminal, civil, and administrative penalties under the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(m)(1) If a person permitted to manage industrial wastewater residuals by land application violates a permit issued under this subchapter resulting in an over-application or a precipitation related surface land application, the Division of Environmental Quality shall assess the maximum allowable penalty as identified in subsection (c) of this section for each violation.

(2) As used in this subsection, "surface land application" means the spraying, spreading, or incorporating of waste into or onto the land, excluding injection of waste into the land.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Land application of industrial wastewater residuals rule.

(a) The Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission shall begin the process to promulgate a rule to authorize no-discharge land application permits of industrial waste.

(b) Until the rule described under subsection (a) of this section is effective, the Division of Environmental Quality shall continue the same processes and procedures regarding land application permits."

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIM PETTY

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1762 was ordered engrossed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1847, BY REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON,
BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 644, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1959, BY REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1967, BY REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1984, BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1105
As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H4/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - SECRETARY'S OFFICE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1105 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1163

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING - BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1163 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1202

As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H4/1/25 H4/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS AND EXPENSES AND VARIOUS AGENCY TRANSFERS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1202 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1828
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BREAUX
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR INSPIRATION POINT CENTER FOR THE ARTS, INC.; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1828 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1955
As Engrossed: H4/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REPEAL THE SHIELDED OUTDOOR LIGHTING ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1955 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1956

As Engrossed: H4/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. MEEKS

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS NIGHTTIME ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1956 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

April 14, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 14, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 123 - ACT 553
Senate Bill No. 237 - ACT 554
Senate Bill No. 405 - ACT 555
Senate Bill No. 167 - ACT 563
Senate Bill No. 545 - ACT 564
Senate Bill No. 348 - ACT 567
Senate Bill No. 357 - ACT 572
Senate Bill No. 433 - ACT 573
Senate Bill No. 361 - ACT 576
Senate Bill No. 407 - ACT 577
Senate Bill No. 421 - ACT 578
Senate Bill No. 448 - ACT579
Senate Bill No. 463 - ACT 580
Senate Bill No. 498 - ACT 581
Senate Bill No. 148 - ACT 587
Senate Bill No. 153 - ACT 588
Senate Bill No. 160 - ACT 589
Senate Bill No. 252 - ACT 590
Senate Bill No. 322 - ACT 591
Senate Bill No. 351 - ACT 592
Senate Bill No. 479 - ACT 593

Senate Bill No. 510 - ACT 594
Senate Bill No. 505 - ACT 595
Senate Bill No. 564 - ACT 596
Senate Bill No. 25 - ACT 607
Senate Bill No. 37 - ACT 608
Senate Bill No. 39 - ACT 609
Senate Bill No. 88 - ACT 610
Senate Bill No. 125 - ACT 611
Senate Bill No. 127 - ACT 612
Senate Bill No. 359 - ACT 613
Senate Bill No. 412 - ACT 614
Senate Bill No. 422 - ACT 615
Senate Bill No. 503 - ACT 616
Senate Bill No. 529 - ACT 617

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

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STATE OF ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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April 14, 2025

The Honorable Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks:

The Senate respectfully requests the return to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 596.

Respectfully Submitted,

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 347, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Penzo, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 347 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 347

As Engrossed: S4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. MAYBERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR CERTAIN DENTAL SERVICES AND TO SET AN ANNUAL REIMBURSEMENT CAP FOR ADULT DENTAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 347 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 347. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Hickey.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Irvin.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang, English, Sullivan.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.347 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Payton, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Payton, House Bill No. 1847 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1847
As Engrossed: H4/2/25 S4/14/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON
BY: SENATOR J. PAYTON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GAMBLING; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS RACING COMMISSION TO MAINTAIN A STATEWIDE SELF-EXCLUSION LIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1847 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1847. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1847 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1762, BY REPRESENTATIVE HALL,
BY SENATOR JIM PETTY

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator Petty, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Petty, House Bill No. 1762 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1762

As Engrossed: H4/3/25 H4/9/25 S4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HALL, ET AL

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE REVOCATION OF A PERMIT FOR THE DISPOSAL OF *INDUSTRIAL* WASTE IN AN AGRICULTURAL OR PASTORAL APPLICATION FOR A CERTAIN NUMBER OF VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1762 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Petty moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1762. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1762 was returned to the House as passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 3:50 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 7:15 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

Senate Bill No. 596 was ordered returned from the House as requested.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on JUDICIARY, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1916, BY REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1975, BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR ALAN CLARK, CHAIRMAN

Senator McKee moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which Senate Bill No. 596 passed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

Amendment No 2 to Senate Bill No. 596 was withdrawn.

On motion of Senator McKee, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 596 at this time.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 596 was placed back on second reading for purpose of Amendment No. 3.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL NO. 596

Amend Senate Bill No.596 as engrossed S4/7/25:

Page 8, delete line 12, and substitute the following:
"facility that is one hundred megawatts (100 MW) or larger located in Arkansas.

(f) This subchapter does not apply to the retirement or repowering of a dispatchable electric generation facility under any settlement, consent decree, or other resolution of any litigation or legal proceeding executed or ordered before the effective date of this subchapter."

(SIGNED) SENATOR MATT MCKEE

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 596 was ordered engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 313 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 443 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 546 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 575 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 72 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 92 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 420 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 439 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 475 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 516 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 521 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 527 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 544 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 551 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 573 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 578 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 584 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 610 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 508 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 520 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 563 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENGROSSED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 596, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,

report that we have carefully compared the engrossed copy with the original and we find the same correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

On motion of Senator McKee, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Bill No. 596 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 596

As Engrossed: S4/7/25 S4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ENERGY; TO ESTABLISH A STATE ENERGY POLICY; TO REGULATE RETIREMENT OF DISPATCHABLE ELECTRIC GENERATION FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 596 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 596. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 596, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers.

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 596 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Senate Bill No. 90 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 431 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 458 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 519 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 533 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 611 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 352 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 342 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 364 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 369 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 406 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 435 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 478 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 480 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 481 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 487 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
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Senate Bill No. 500 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 511 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
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Senate Bill No. 535 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
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Senate Bill No. 555 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 560 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 574 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 580 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 590 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 597 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 599 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 600 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 183 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 311 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 402 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 425 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 451 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 484 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 504 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 547 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 559 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 598 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 604 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 618 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 624 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 627 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 569
SENATE BILL NO. 622
SENATE BILL NO. 347

SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 362
SENATE BILL NO. 596

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 183
SENATE BILL NO. 311
SENATE BILL NO. 342

SENATE BILL NO. 364
SENATE BILL NO. 369
SENATE BILL NO. 402
SENATE BILL NO. 406
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SENATE BILL NO. 618
SENATE BILL NO. 624
SENATE BILL NO. 627

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 72
SENATE BILL NO. 92
SENATE BILL NO. 425
SENATE BILL NO. 481
SENATE BILL NO. 537
SENATE BILL NO. 539
SENATE BILL NO. 590
SENATE BILL NO. 610

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE FAILED OF ADOPTION

SENATE BILL NO. 451

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2

SENATE BILL NO. 90

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE BILL NO. 313
SENATE BILL NO. 352
SENATE BILL NO. 431
SENATE BILL NO. 458
SENATE BILL NO. 519
SENATE BILL NO. 533
SENATE BILL NO. 546
SENATE BILL NO. 575
SENATE BILL NO. 611

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED/ AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE BILL NO. 443

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE AS REQUESTED

SENATE BILL NO. 596

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE HOUSE AS ADOPTED

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1828
HOUSE BILL NO. 1955
HOUSE BILL NO. 1956

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1105
HOUSE BILL NO. 1163
HOUSE BILL NO. 1202

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1063
HOUSE BILL NO. 1085
HOUSE BILL NO. 1142
HOUSE BILL NO. 1185
HOUSE BILL NO. 1187
HOUSE BILL NO. 1285
HOUSE BILL NO. 1428
HOUSE BILL NO. 1433
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1767
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1783
HOUSE BILL NO. 1786
HOUSE BILL NO. 1793
HOUSE BILL NO. 1805
HOUSE BILL NO. 1807
HOUSE BILL NO. 1809
HOUSE BILL NO. 1817
HOUSE BILL NO. 1826
HOUSE BILL NO. 1833
HOUSE BILL NO. 1847
HOUSE BILL NO. 1853
HOUSE BILL NO. 1855
HOUSE BILL NO. 1869
HOUSE BILL NO. 1870
HOUSE BILL NO. 1875
HOUSE BILL NO. 1893
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1923
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1929
HOUSE BILL NO. 1935

HOUSE BILL NO. 1937
HOUSE BILL NO. 1938
HOUSE BILL NO. 1939
HOUSE BILL NO. 1941
HOUSE BILL NO. 1942
HOUSE BILL NO. 1943
HOUSE BILL NO. 1954
HOUSE BILL NO. 1965
HOUSE BILL NO. 1976
HOUSE BILL NO. 1983

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1003
HOUSE BILL NO. 1106
HOUSE BILL NO. 1126
HOUSE BILL NO. 1850
HOUSE BILL NO. 1863
HOUSE BILL NO. 1964

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NO. 1

HOUSE BILL NO. 1290
HOUSE BILL NO. 1762
HOUSE BILL NO. 1837
HOUSE BILL NO. 1960

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NOS. 1& 2

HOUSE BILL NO. 1685
HOUSE BILL NO. 1865

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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NINETY-THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

AprilL 15, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Greg Leding.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

95th General Assembly

Regular Session, 2025

Recall Letter for Senate Bill No. 451

April 15, 2025

The Honorable Ann Cornwell
Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The House of Representatives respectfully requests the return to the House, SB451.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Senate Bill No. 451 was returned to the House as Requested.

House Joint Resolution No. 1018 was returned to the House as passed.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 15, 2025

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 8:39 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL NO. 72, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 92, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 183, BY SENATOR JIM DOTSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 311, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 342, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 343, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 364, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 367, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 369, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 374, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 402, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO. 406, BY SENATOR ALAN CLARK,
SENATE BILL NO. 420, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,

SENATE BILL NO. 425, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 435, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 439, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 475, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO. 478, BY SENATOR GARY STUBBLEFIELD,
SENATE BILL NO. 480, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 481, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 484, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 487, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 488, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 490, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 500, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO. 504, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 508, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 511, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
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SENATE BILL NO. 514, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 516, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 520, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO. 521, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 523, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 527, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 535, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO. 537, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 539, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO. 544, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 547, BY SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN,
SENATE BILL NO. 551, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO. 555, BY SENATOR JAMIE SCOTT,
SENATE BILL NO. 559, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 560, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 563, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
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SENATE BILL NO. 580, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
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RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this fifteenth day of April, 2025 at 9:52 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April15, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1017, BY REPRESENTATIVE COLLINS,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1945, REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that they do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JANE ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April15, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on EDUCATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1903, BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR DAN SULLIVAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator McKee, Senate Resolution No. 68 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 68
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS M. MCKEE, A. CLARK

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE DIVISION OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE'S INTERSTATE CRIMINAL PATROL FOR WINNING TOP HONORS AT THE GULF COAST HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA AWARDS.

Senate Resolution No. 68 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Resolution No. 69 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 69
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

SENATE RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM APRIL 9, 2025, AS ARKANSAS LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND TO COMMEND THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE ARKANSAS AS UTILITY LINEWORKERS.

Senate Resolution No. 69 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Scott, Senate Resolution No. 70 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 70
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. SCOTT

SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES® FOR FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE IN IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND DIRECTLY IMPACTING THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 70 was read third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator English Senate Bill No. 90 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendments Nos. 1 and 2 thereto, adopted by the House.

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 90

Amend Senate Bill No. 90 as engrossed S2/10/25:

Page 1, delete line 31, and substitute the following:
"13-620 if the member of the public providing the public comment:

(i) Resides within the public school district;

(ii) Is a parent, legal guardian, or person standing in loco parentis to a student enrolled in the public school district; or

(iii) Is employed by the public school district."

AND

Page 2, delete line 6, and substitute the following:
"board of directors.

(3) A board of directors shall allow each member of the public who presents public comment under subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section at least three (3) minutes to deliver his or her public comment.

(4) If the public comment period at the beginning of a board of directors meeting exceeds thirty (30) minutes, the board of directors may move public comment on matters within the powers and duties of the board of directors as provided under § 6-13-620 that are not on the board of directors meeting agenda for action to a time later in the board of directors meeting."

REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

Senate Resolution No. 90 was read and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 90

Amend Senate Bill No. 90 as engrossed S1/27/25:

Page 1, delete line 31, and substitute the following:

"13-620 if the member of the public providing the public comment:

(i) Resides within the public school district;

(ii) Is a parent, legal guardian, or person standing in loco parentis to a student enrolled in the public school district; or

(iii) Is employed by the public school district."

AND

Page 2, delete line 6, and substitute the following:

"board of directors.

(3) A board of directors shall allow each member of the public who presents public comment under subdivision (f)(1)(A) of this section at least three (3) minutes to deliver his or her public comment.

(4) If the public comment period at the beginning of a board of directors meeting exceeds thirty (30) minutes, the board of directors may move public comment on matters within the powers and duties of the board of directors as provided under § 6-13-620 that are not on the board of directors meeting agenda for action to a time later in the board of directors meeting."

REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

Senate Resolution No. 90 was read and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator English, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator English, Senate Bill No. 90 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 90
As Engrossed: S1/27/25 S2/5/25 H2/7/25 H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT PUBLIC COMMENT AT EACH MEETING OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 90 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 90. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 90 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 313 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 90

Amend Senate Bill 313 as engrossed S3/6/25:

Page 2, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(2)(A) By written motion of the prosecutor or defense counsel stating that the request is made in good faith and not for the purpose of delay, and containing the facts and observations in support of the request.

(B) If the motion is denied, defense counsel may request an ex parte or in camera filing and hearing if an ex parte or in camera filing and hearing are necessary because the motion is based in whole or in part on information protected by the attorney-client privilege.

(d) For good cause shown, a request for an evaluation may be made by oral motion in court if the request:

(1) Is made in good faith and not for the purpose of delay; and

(2) Contains sufficient facts and observations in support of the request for the court to consider the request."

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "(d)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 3, line 4, delete "(e)" and substitute "(f)"
AND

Page 4, delete lines 8 through 12, and substitute the following:

"(F) The court may order the administration of medication to maintain the fitness to proceed of an incarcerated defendant if the defendant is a danger to himself or herself or others and refuses to take the medication required to maintain his or her fitness to proceed.

(G) The court may order the administration of medication to maintain the fitness to proceed of an incarcerated defendant if the defendant is not a danger to himself or herself or others and refuses to take the medication required to maintain his or her fitness to proceed if the court finds that:

(i) The treatment is medically appropriate;

(ii) All less intrusive alternatives have been considered;

(iii) The treatment is substantially unlikely to produce a side effect that may undermine the fairness of the trial; and

(iv) There is a substantial government interest in the prosecution of the defendant.

(H) Days spent in the physical custody of the department under this subsection are considered days spent in custody for determining credit for time served."

AND

Page 6, delete lines 26 and 27, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1)(A) Any party, by written motion, or the court, on the court's own motion, may raise the issue of the defendant's fitness to proceed."

AND

Page 6, delete line 33, and substitute the following:

"motion for examination of the defendant.

(C) If the motion is denied, defense counsel may request an ex parte or in camera filing and hearing if an ex parte or in camera filing and hearing are necessary because the motion is based in whole or in part on information protected by the attorney-client privilege.

(D) For good cause shown, a request for an evaluation may be made by oral motion in court if the request:

(i) Is made in good faith and not for the purpose of delay; and

(ii) Contains sufficient facts and observations in support of the request for the court to consider the request."

REPRESENTATIVE K. MOORE

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 313 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irwin, Senate Bill No. 313 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 313

As Engrossed: S3/6/25 H4/9/24

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS IRVIN, B. DAVIS, J. ENGLISH

BY: REPRESENTATIVES K. MOORE, VAUGHT, BARKER, BENTLEY, A. BROWN, K. BROWN, R. BURKES, CAVENAUGH, CRAWFORD, DALBY, DUKE, HENLEY, LUNDSTRUM, J. MAYBERRY, MCALINDON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING FORENSIC MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS AND TREATMENT; TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCIES AND QUALITY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 313 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 313.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 313 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 352 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 352

Amend Senate Bill No. 352 as engrossed S3/11/25:

Add Representatives B. McKenzie, Gramlich, Walker, Achor, Andrews, Barker, Bentley, Breaux, Brooks, A. Brown, K. Brown, M. Brown, N. Burkes, Joey Carr, John Carr, Cavenaugh, Cozart, Crawford, Eaves, Eubanks, Furman, Hawk, Holcomb, Lundstrum, Maddox, McClure, McNair, J. Moore, Ray, Richmond, Rose, Rye, M. Shepherd, Underwood, Unger, Vaught, Warren, Wooten

REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 352 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Stone, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Stone, Senate Bill No. 352 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 352

As Engrossed: S3/11/25 H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS STONE, GILMORE, HESTER, B. JOHNSON, B. DAVIS, M. MCKEE, J. DOTSON, J. BOYD

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BEATY, JR., *B. MCKENZIE, ET AL*

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ANTISEMITISM IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; TO PROHIBIT ANTISEMITISM IN STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 352 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 352. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Love, Murdock.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Leding, Scott, Tucker.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 352 was ordered.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 397 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 397

Amend Senate Bill No. 397 as engrossed S3/18/25:

Page 1, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a public record, as defined under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq., involving a railroad fatality shall be maintained by its custodian in a manner that ensures the confidentiality of the personal information of the railroad crew involved in the fatality."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 4

AND

Page 2, line 5, delete "(3)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 17 through 20, and substitute the following:

"(F) The United States National Transportation Safety Board or a constituent agency of the United States Department of Transportation acting under a mandate to investigate railroad accidents or incidents."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE RYE

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 397 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Wallace, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 397 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 397

As Engrossed: S3/18/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RYE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION OF RAIL EMPLOYEES IN REPORTS INVOLVING RAILROAD FATALITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 397 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 397. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Clark.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 397 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 431 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 431

Amend Senate Bill No. 431 as engrossed S4/1/25:

Page 2, delete lines 12 through 14, and substitute the following:

"(1) A Was a victim of trafficking of persons, § 5-18-103; and

(2) Engaged in the offense as a result of the trafficking of"

REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 431 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 431 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 431

As Engrossed: S4/1/25 H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATORS J. BRYANT, HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Senate Bill No. 431 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 431. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 431 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Wallace, Senate Bill No. 443 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 443

Amend Senate Bill 443 as originally introduced:

Page 12, line 23, delete "~~one (1) year~~ three (3) years" and substitute "one (1) year"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 443 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Bryant, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 443 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

On motion of Senator Bryant, Senate Bill No. 443 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 443

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF APPRAISERS, ABSTRACTERS, AND HOME INSPECTORS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LICENSURE OF ABSTRACTERS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING LICENSURE OF HOME INSPECTORS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 443 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 443. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 443, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 443 was ordered enrolled

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 458 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 458

Amend Senate Bill No. 458 as engrossed S4/7/25:

Page 3, line 5, delete "who is older than eighteen (18) years of age"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 458, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Leding, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 458 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 458

As Engrossed: S4/7/25 H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVE CLOWNEY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A COURT TO CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF FACTORS SUCH AS TRAUMA AND INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM ON A PERSON WHO COMMITTED A CRIME AS A MINOR DURING A TRANSFER OR SENTENCING HEARING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 458 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 458. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 458 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 519 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 519

Amend Senate Bill No. 519 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 34, delete "sixty (60) days" and substitute "forty-five (45) days"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE WARDLAW

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 519, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Boyd, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Boyd, Senate Bill No. 519 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 519

As Engrossed: H4/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE STANDARD NONFORFEITURE LAW FOR LIFE INSURANCE; TO REGULATE THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON DEFERRED PAYMENT OF ANY CASH SURRENDER VALUE ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 519 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 519. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Gilmore.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.519 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 533 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 533

Amend Senate Bill No. 533 as engrossed S4/2/25:

Page 67, delete lines 35 and 36, and substitute the following:
"Sanders, et al, 4:23-cv-00718-BRW, and any subsequent appeals upholds the legality of Acts 2023, No."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 533, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dees, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 533 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 533

As Engrossed: S4/2/25 H4/8/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR DEES

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS BY THE ARKANSAS TOBACCO CONTROL BOARD; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS LAW TO ALLOW THE REGULATION AND PURCHASE OF CONSUMABLE HEMP PRODUCTS; TO ESTABLISH A DIRECTORY FOR CONSUMABLE HEMP MANUFACTURERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 533 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 533. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, Flowers, Leding, Love, McKee, Scott, Tucker.

Total 8

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 533 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 546 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 546

Amend Senate Bill No. 546 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 34, delete "other viable alternative" and substitute "other viable cost-effective alternative"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE PERRY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 546, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 546 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 546

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PERRY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION FEE FOR WATER PERMITS RELATED TO NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 546 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 546. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 3

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 546 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 575 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 575

Amend Senate Bill No. 575 as engrossed S4/3/25:

Page 4, delete line 10 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301(120), concerning the classification of revenue from certain driver's license reinstatement fees as special revenue, is repealed.

~~(120) That portion of driver's license reinstatement fees for the Office of Driver Services, § 5-65-119(a)(2)(B);~~

SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301(155), concerning the classification

of revenue from certain driver's license reinstatement fees as special revenue, is repealed.

~~(155) That portion of driver's license reinstatement fees for the Office of Alcohol Testing, § 5-65-119(a)(2)(A), § 5-65-304(d), and § 5-65-310(f);~~

SECTION 9. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301(218), concerning the classification of revenue from certain driver's license reinstatement fees as special revenue, is repealed.

~~(218) That portion of an operator's driver's license reinstatement fees, § 5-65-119(a)(2)(D);~~

SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301(219), concerning the classification of revenue from certain driver's license reinstatement fees as special revenue, is repealed.

~~(219) That portion of suspended, revoked, or cancelled driver's license reinstatement fees, § 27-16-508(c) and § 27-16-808(b)(2);~~

SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 21-6-416(b) and (c), concerning the court"

AND

Page 6, line 16, delete "following ten (10)" and substitute "following thirteen (13)"

AND

Page 6, delete line 26, and substitute the following:

"(D) Two (2) members who are staff members of the"

AND

Page 6, delete line 32, and substitute the following:

"of the Judicial Council;"

AND

Page 6, delete line 34, and substitute the following:

"President of the Arkansas District Judges Council, Inc.;

(H) One (1) member designated by the Association of Arkansas Counties; and

(I) One (1) member designated by the Arkansas Municipal League."

AND

Page 8, delete lines 12 and 13, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE DATE. Sections 1 through 13 of this act are effective on July 1, 2026."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 575, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Tucker, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Tucker, Senate Bill No. 575 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 575

As Engrossed: S4/3/25 H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSTALLMENT FEES *COLLECTED IN CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEES; TO CREATE* THE JUSTICE SYSTEM FEE TASK FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 575 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 575. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.575 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 611 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 611

Amend Senate Bill No. 611 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 24 through 35

AND

Page 1, line 36, delete "~~(2)~~(3)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 2, line 8, delete "~~(3)~~(4)(A)" and substitute "(3)(A)"

AND

Page 2, line 12, delete "(5)" and substitute "(4)"

AND

Page 2, line 16, delete "(6)(A)" and substitute "(5)(A)"

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "(7)" and substitute "(6)"

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "~~(4)~~(8)" and substitute "~~(4)~~(7)"

AND

Page 2, line 35, delete "(9)" and substitute "(8)"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "~~(5)~~(10)" and substitute "~~(5)~~(9)"

AND

Page 3, line 7, delete "~~(6)~~(11)" and substitute "~~(6)~~(10)"

AND

Page 4, line 8, delete "~~(8)(A)~~(12)(A)" and substitute "~~(8)(A)~~(11)(A)"

AND

Page 4, line 24, delete "personal" and substitute "personally identifiable information"

AND

Page 6, line 31, delete "~~(9)~~(13)" and substitute "~~(9)~~(12)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 2 through 9

AND

Page 7, line 10, delete "(e)" and substitute "(d)"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 17 through 20, and substitute the following:

"(2) Ensure that, by default:

(A) Notifications to an Arkansas user who is a minor, other than safety or privacy-related alerts, are ceased between the hours of 10:00 p.m. central standard time (CST) and 6:00 a.m. central standard time (CST) and allow a parent or guardian to modify this setting; and

(B) Privacy and safety settings for an Arkansas user who is a minor on a covered social media platform provides the most protective level of control for privacy and safety offered by the covered social media platform;"

AND

Page 8, line 5, delete "platform." and substitute "platform that is in violation of § 4-88-1402."

AND

Page 8, line 25, delete "received for the payment of a fine" and substitute "obtained by an individual for a fine"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 611, adopted by the House, was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Dees, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 611 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 611

As Engrossed: H4/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR DEES

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 611 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 611. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Flowers.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Payton, C. Penzo.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.611 was ordered enrolled.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 75
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATORS HESTER, K. HAMMER, J. BOYD, J. BRYANT, CALDWELL, A. CLARK, CROWELL, B. DAVIS, DEES, J. DISMANG, J. DOTSON, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, S. FLOWERS, GILMORE, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, B. KING, G. LEDING, F. LOVE,. M. MCKEE, R. MURDOCK, J. PAYTON, C. PENZO, J. PETTY, RICE, J. SCOTT, STONE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, D. SULLIVAN, C. TUCKER, D. WALLACE

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR SYLVIA ANN HINDSMAN CORNWELL FOR HER EXEMPLARY, DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE SENATE AND TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

Senate Resolution No. 75 was read the first time, read the second time, rules suspended, read the third time and adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Hammer the Senate recessed until 2:24 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1105 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1105
As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H4/10/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - SECRETARY'S OFFICE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1105 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1105. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1105, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1105 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1163 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1163

As Engrossed: H3/12/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING - BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1163 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1163. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1163, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1163 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1202 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1202

As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H4/1/25 H4/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS AND EXPENSES AND VARIOUS AGENCY TRANSFERS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1202 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1202. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1202, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1202 was ordered immediately returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 54 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 54

As Engrossed: S4/7/25 S4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 54 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 54. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 54, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Clark, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 54 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 67 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 67

As Engrossed: S4/9/25 S4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 67 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 67. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 27

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 67, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 67 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 636 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 636
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO TRANSFER FUNDS; DEFINE THE MONIES TO BE AVAILABLE IN THE RESTRICTED RESERVE FUND; AND TO ALLOW THAT ADDITIONAL FUNDS MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR STATE DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND INSTITUTIONS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 636 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 636. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Clark, Payton.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Stubblefield.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 636, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Clark, Payton.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Stubblefield.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 636 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 637 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 637
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JEAN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REVENUE STABILIZATION LAW; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 637 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 637. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 637, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 637 was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1178 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1178

As Engrossed: H2/18/25 H3/5/25 H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *CONCERNING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CONTRACTING OF A MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SUMS COLLECTED BY DISTRICT COURTS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COST SHARING FOR DISTRICT COURT EXPENSES; TO ENSURE THE APPROPRIATE DISTRIBUTION OF SUMS COLLECTED BY THE DISTRICT COURT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

House Bill No. 1178 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1178. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1178 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1312 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1312
As Engrossed: H4/7/25 H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS, ET AL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1312 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1312. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1312 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1365 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1365

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REMOVE RACIAL AND GENDER QUOTAS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP FOR CERTAIN BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COUNCILS, AND COMMISSIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1365 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 24

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Dismang, Dotson, Payton.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Petty.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1365 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Flippo, House Bill No. 1471 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1471
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOOLDRIDGE
BY: SENATOR FLIPPO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF ALL LICENSES OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1471 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Flippo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1471. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1471 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1624 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1624
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY LAW LIBRARY BOARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1624 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hickey, Hill, King, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 12

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dees, Flippo, Flowers, Hester, Johnson, M., McKee, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 11

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Clark, Dismang, Irvin, Johnson, B., Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 10

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Crowell, Hammer.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....25

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Boyd moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1624 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1624 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 15, 2025.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, House Bill No. 1562 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1562
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE TERMINATION OF AN ORAL LEASE OF FARMLANDS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NOTICE OF TERMINATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1562 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Caldwell moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1562. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1562 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1646 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1646
As Engrossed: H3/12/25 H3/31/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGREW
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE FIVE LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN MATERIALS TO BE STORED IN LOCKED *COMPARTMENTS* WITHIN A DESIGNATED AREA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1646 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1646. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Davis.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1646 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1662 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES B. MCKENZIE, ET AL

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOBBYING FOR A COVERED FOREIGN ENTITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1662 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice spoke against the bill.

Senator Dismang spoke for the bill.

Senator M. Johnson spoke for the bill.

Senator Clark spoke against the bill.

Senator B. Johnson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone.

Total 16

NEGATIVE: Clark, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Love, Payton, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 12

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Irvin, Leding, Murdock, Scott.

Total 6

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Hill.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 29
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

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The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1662 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 15, 2025.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1682 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1682
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES PURYEAR, ET AL
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE GOOD NEIGHBOR ACT; TO CLARIFY FOOD DONATION LIABILITY AND IMMUNITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1682 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1682. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1682 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1683 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1683

As Engrossed: H4/3/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCALINDON

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR A COMPONENT OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE BY A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; TO PROHIBIT THE PROCUREMENT BY A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR A COMPONENT OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE THAT WAS MANUFACTURED IN WHOLE OR IN PART USING FORCED LABOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1683 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Sullivan.

Total 9

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Flippo.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell, Davis, Dismang, English, Rice, Tucker.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1683 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Dismang moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1662 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1719 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1719
As Engrossed: H4/7/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING MATERNITY LEAVE SCHOOL PERSONNEL; TO AMEND THE DAYS INCLUDED IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MATERNITY LEAVE DAYS APPROVED BY A SCHOOL THAT OFFERS MATERNITY LEAVE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1719 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1719.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Clark, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1719 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1728 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1728

As Engrossed: H4/1/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REQUIRE REPORTING ON THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECEIVING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A DISABILITY AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT TO INCLUDE REPORTING ON STUDENTS RECEIVING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A DISABILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1728 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1728. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1728 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1766 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1766
As Engrossed: H4/2/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ENNETT
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS RESPOND, INNOVATE, SUCCEED, AND EMPOWER (RISE) ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1766 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1766.
Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 27

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Hickey, Payton.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1766 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, House Bill No. 1832 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1832

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. SHEPHERD

BY: SENATOR HESTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled:TO AMEND THE RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS TO GRANT EXCLUSIVE ORIGINAL JURISDICTION OF FACIAL CONSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES TO THE COURT OF APPEALS; TO AMEND A RULE OF THE SUPREME COURT UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 80, § 9; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1832 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark spoke for the bill.

Senator Hester closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 26

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Hickey, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: English, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....33
Necessary to the passage of the bill 24

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1832 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1874 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1874
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE B. MCKENZIE
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; TO AMEND THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING THAT IS USED BY THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES; TO REQUIRE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING THAT EXCEEDS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT AWARDED TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS TO BE USED TO IMPLEMENT ACTS 2023, NO. 237, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "LEARNS ACT"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1874 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1874. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Tucker.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King, Scott.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1874 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1876 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1876

As Engrossed: H4/2/25 H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE R. SCOTT RICHARDSON

BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT REGARDING THE OWNERSHIP OF MODEL TRAINING AND CONTENT GENERATED BY A GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1876 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1876. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1876 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stone, House Bill No. 1913 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1913
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MOORE, M. MCELROY
BY: SENATORS STONE, G. LEDING

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DRIVER'S LICENSES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR AN INTERMEDIATE DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1913 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stone moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1913. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1913 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Clark, House Bill No. 1916 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1916

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY

BY: SENATOR A. CLARK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROTECTING MINORS FROM MEDICAL MALPRACTICE ACT OF 2023; TO INCLUDE GENDER-AFFIRMING INTERVENTIONS AS A RIGHT OF ACTION FOR MEDICAL MALPRACTICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1916 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Tucker spoke against the bill.

Senator Clark closed for the bill.

Senator Clark moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1916.

Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1916 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1926 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1926
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE UNGER
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, OR NONRENEWAL OF A PERSON'S DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR FAILURE TO PAY A COURT-ORDERED FINE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A DEFENDANT'S INABILITY TO IMMEDIATELY PAY A COURT-ORDERED FINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1926 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1926. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1926 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, House Bill No. 1933 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1933

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; TO CREATE A RECALL ELECTION AND PETITION FOR REMOVAL FOR A MEMBER OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1933 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1933. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Scott.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1933 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1942 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1942
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WITHIN RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1942 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1942. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE: Payton.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1942 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1943 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1943
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEDICAID PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE ACT; TO IMPROVE THE ENROLLMENT AND SELECTION PROCESS IN RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS; TO EMPOWER MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES WITH USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT RISK-BASED PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS AVAILABLE TO THEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1943 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1943. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dotson, Payton.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1943 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 1952 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1952
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE HAWK
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ASSIST THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION TO CONTINUE ITS MISSION TO PROMOTE A ROBUST, HEALTHY, AND SAFE COMBATIVE SPORTS INDUSTRY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1952 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1952. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Bryant, Dotson, Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: C. Penzo.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1952 was returned to the House as passed.

Senator Penzo moved to extract House Bill No. 1946 from the committee on EDUCATION.

Senator Davis spoke against the motion.

Senator Penzo closed for the motion.

By voice vote, the motion failed.

A roll call was requested. Five hands were seen.

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Dees, Dotson, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, M., King, Payton, C. Penzo, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan.

Total 14

NEGATIVE: Crowell, Davis, Dismang, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Leding, Love, Scott, Stone, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 15

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Flippo, Johnson, B., McKee, Murdock, Petty.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Caldwell.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....30

Necessary to the passage of the motion.....18

So the motion to extract failed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

April 15, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1951, BY REPRESENTATIVE COLLINS,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR JIM DOTSON
SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER
SENATOR KIM HAMMER
SENATOR BRIAN KING

Senate Bill No. 451 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1671
As Engrossed: H4/7/25 H4/14/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX; TO CREATE A GENERAL SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR SALES TO QUALIFIED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1671 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 1878
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGRUDER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE EARLY VOTING ACCESS FOR ARKANSANS RESIDING IN POPULATION CENTERS; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CONDUCT EARLY VOTING IN A CITY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1878 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

SENATE BILL NO. 646
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR C. TUCKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OCCUPATIONAL AND CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS; TO PROHIBIT THE DISQUALIFICATION OF AN OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE BASED ON A PRIOR CONVICTION OF AN OFFENSE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 646 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 15, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1878, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER
SENATOR BRIAN KING
SENATOR ALAN CLARK
SENATOR JOHN PAYTON

Senate Bill No. 290 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 457 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 571 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 612 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 619 was returned from the House as passed as amended.
Senate Bill No. 620 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 93 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 346 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 400 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 450 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 483 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 489 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 565 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 568 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 583 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 608 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 614 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 632 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 640 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 15, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO.1625, BY REPRESENTATIVE BARNETT
BY SENATOR MURDOCK,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

SENATOR MISSY IRVIN
SENATOR MARK JOHNSON
SENATOR STEPHANIE FLOWERS
SENATOR REGINALD MURDOCK
SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD

Received from the House

HOUSE BILL NO. 2003
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REVENUE STABILIZATION LAW; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 2003 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and placed on the Calendar.

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SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

SENATE BILL NO. 54
SENATE BILL NO. 67
SENATE BILL NO. 451
SENATE BILL NO. 636
SENATE BILL NO. 637

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 400
SENATE BILL NO. 450
SENATE BILL NO. 483
SENATE BILL NO. 489
SENATE BILL NO. 565
SENATE BILL NO. 568
SENATE BILL NO. 583
SENATE BILL NO. 608

SENATE BILL NO. 614
SENATE BILL NO. 632
SENATE BILL NO. 640

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 93
SENATE BILL NO. 346

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE BILL NO. 290
SENATE BILL NO. 457
SENATE BILL NO. 612
SENATE BILL NO. 619
SENATE BILL NO. 620

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2

SENATE BILL NO. 571

SENATE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE AS REQUESTED

SENATE BILL NO. 451

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS ADOPTED

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1671
HOUSE BILL NO. 1878

HOUSE BILL TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 2003

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1178
HOUSE BILL NO. 1312
HOUSE BILL NO. 1365
HOUSE BILL NO. 1471
HOUSE BILL NO. 1562
HOUSE BILL NO. 1646
HOUSE BILL NO. 1682
HOUSE BILL NO. 1683
HOUSE BILL NO. 1719
HOUSE BILL NO. 1728
HOUSE BILL NO. 1766
HOUSE BILL NO. 1832
HOUSE BILL NO. 1874
HOUSE BILL NO. 1876
HOUSE BILL NO. 1913
HOUSE BILL NO. 1916
HOUSE BILL NO. 1926
HOUSE BILL NO. 1933
HOUSE BILL NO. 1942
HOUSE BILL NO. 1943
HOUSE BILL NO. 1952

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1105
HOUSE BILL NO. 1163
HOUSE BILL NO. 1202

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION RETURNED
TO THE HOUSE AS CONCURRED IN

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1018

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 16, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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NINETY-FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

April 16, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 8:30 o'clock a.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, KING, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Payton.

The State was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

The motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Scott, Senate Bill No. 462 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Scott, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 462 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, Senate Bill No. 643 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Sullivan, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 643 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Crowell, Senate Bill No. 645 was withdrawn from the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Crowell, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 645 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Senator Hester moved that any Senate Bills amended by the House and voted on by the House today will go to the Senate Calendar for Senate Concurrence. The motion carried.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 16, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 90, BY SENATOR JANE ENGLISH,
SENATE BILL NO. 93, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 313, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 346, BY SENATE EFFICIENCY,
SENATE BILL NO. 352, BY SENATOR MATT STONE,
SENATE BILL NO. 397, BY SENATOR DAVID WALLACE,
SENATE BILL NO. 400, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO. 431, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 443, BY SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO. 450, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO. 451, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
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SENATE BILL NO. 565, BY SENATOR SCOTT FLIPPO,
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SENATE BILL NO. 575, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 583, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 608, BY SENATOR MARK JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO. 611, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO. 614, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO. 632, BY SENATOR FREDRICK J. LOVE,
SENATE BILL NO. 640, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11, BY SENATOR JOHN PAYTON,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 7:55 a.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

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RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this Ninety-fourth day of April, 2025 at 7:55 a.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 16, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, to whom was referred:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1671, BY REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON,

report that we have had the same under consideration, and return the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) SENATOR JIMMY HICKEY, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JIM PETTY
SENATOR BART HESTER
SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD
SENATOR KIM HAMMER

The President declared the morning hour to have expired.

On motion of Senator Gilmore, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1004 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1004
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WARDLAW, BEATY JR.
BY: SENATOR GILMORE

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE GAME WARDEN AUSTIN POWELL ON RECEIVING THE MONTY CARMIKLE OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD AND THE 2024 ROBERT M. BRANTLY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1004 was read third time and concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Resolution No. 74 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 74
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: TO RECOGNIZE THE COLLEGE OF THE OZARKS WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM, FEATURING FOUR (4) PLAYERS FROM ARKANSAS, AS THE 2025 NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION DIVISION I NATIONAL CHAMPIONS.

Senate Resolution No. 74 was read third time and adopted

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 290 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 290

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 290 as engrossed S4/2/25:

Page 2, line 1, delete "subsection (c)" and substitute "subsections (c) and (f)"

AND

Page 2, delete line 36, and substitute the following:
"moratorium, this section does not create the authority for a moratorium.

(f) This section does not apply to a moratorium related to a watershed or other body of water instituted by rule before the effective date of this section."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 2 through 13, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 3. DO NOT CODIFY. Existing rule.

The Department of Agriculture shall utilize the current Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission's rules on Liquid Animal Waste Management Systems, 8 CAR pt. 24, formerly known as Regulation No. 5, to administer the department's authority over liquid animal waste management systems under § 15-20-102 until the department adopts final rules regarding liquid animal waste management systems."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE VAUGHT

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 290 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, Senate Bill No. 290 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 290

As Engrossed: S3/31/25 S4/2/25 H4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

BY: REPRESENTATIVES VAUGHT AND PAINTER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS IN WATERSHEDS AND OTHER BODIES OF WATER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 290 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 290. Motion carried.

Senator King spoke against the bill.

Senator B. Johnson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 25

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Johnson, M., Leding, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: King, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 290 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Dismang, House Bill No. 2003 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2003
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE REVENUE STABILIZATION LAW; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 2003 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dismang moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 2003. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 2003, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: King.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 2003 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 457 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 457

Amend Senate Bill 457 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Hudson as a cosponsor of the bill

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 457 adopted by the House were read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Leding, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 457 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 457

As Engrossed: H4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR G. LEDING

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RELEASE FROM PAROLE OR POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION OF CERTAIN PERSONS WHO COMMITTED CRIMES WHEN THEY WERE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 457 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Leding moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 457. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 457 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 571 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendments Nos. 1 and 2 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 571

Amend Senate Bill No. 571 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Puryear

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 571

Amend Senate Bill 571 as engrossed H4/7/25:

Page 1, delete lines 28 and 29, and substitute the following:
"regulations on county property that is:
(1) Used for a public purpose; and
(2) Located within the corporate limits of the municipality."

AND

Page 1, line 30, delete "property that" and substitute "property that is used for a public purpose and"

AND

Page 1, line 31, delete "municipal building" and substitute "building"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR

Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill No. 571 adopted by the House were read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Petty, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Petty, Senate Bill No. 571 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 571

As Engrossed: H4/7/25 H4/10/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR J. PETTY

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PURYEAR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND ZONING REGULATIONS; TO PROHIBIT A MUNICIPALITY FROM ENFORCING BUILDINGS AND ZONING REGULATIONS ON COUNTY PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 571 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 22

NEGATIVE: Hickey, King, Love, Payton, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, English, Rice.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers, Leding, Murdock, Stubblefield.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 571 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 612 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendments No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 612

Amend Senate Bill No. 612 as originally introduced.

Page 1, line 32, delete "section" and substitute "subchapter"

AND

Page 2, line 31, delete "personal" and substitute "personally identifiable information"

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "and"

AND

Page 3, delete line 4, and substitute the following:
"premium content; and

(F) Is accessed by Arkansas users."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 612 adopted by the House were read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, DIRECTOR

On motion of Senator Dees, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Dees, Senate Bill No. 612 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 612
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR DEES
BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR THE USE OF A DESIGN, ALGORITHM, OR FEATURE BY A SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM THAT CAUSES HARM; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM THAT KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY CONTRIBUTES TO THE SUICIDE OR ATTEMPTED SUICIDE OF A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 612 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 612. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dotson, King.

Total 2

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Payton.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 33

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 612 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 620 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendments No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 620 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendments No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 620

Amend Senate Bill 620 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Beaty Jr. as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative intent.

The General Assembly intends for courts to consider whether a minor has been a victim of human trafficking before transferring a delinquency matter to the criminal division of circuit court or imposing a sentence upon the person.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-2-210 is amended to read as follows:

5-2-210. Human trafficking — Affirmative defense.

(a) As used in this section~~,~~:

(1) "Nonviolent criminal offense" means a criminal offense that does not constitute a violent crime as defined in § 16-90-1101; and

(2) "~~victim~~ Victim of trafficking of persons" means a person who has been subjected to trafficking of persons, § 5-18-103.

(b) ~~It~~ If a person is eighteen (18) years of age or older, it is an affirmative defense to prosecution for an offense listed under subsection (c) of this section if at the time a person engaged in the conduct charged to constitute the offense the person was:

(1) A victim of trafficking of persons; and

(2) Engaged in the offense as a direct result of the trafficking of persons.

(c) The affirmative defense under this section may be raised only in a prosecution for one (1) or more of the following offenses:

(1) Forgery, § 5-37-201;

(2) Defrauding a prospective adoptive parent, § 5-37-216;

(3) A prostitution offense under § 5-70-101 et seq.;

(4) Obscene performance at a live public show, § 5-68-305; or

(5) A controlled substance offense under ~~§ 5-64-401 et seq.~~ § 5-64-402 et seq. that is not a Class Y felony.

(d) If a person is seventeen (17) years of age or younger, it is an affirmative defense to prosecution for a nonviolent criminal offense if at the time a person engaged in the conduct charged to constitute the offense the person was:

(1) A victim of trafficking of persons; and

(2) Engaged in the offense as a direct result of the trafficking of persons.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 5-18-103(a) and (b), concerning the offense of trafficking of persons, are amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits the offense of trafficking of persons if he or she knowingly:

(1) Recruits, harbors, transports, obtains, entices, solicits, isolates, provides, or maintains a person when he or she knows or reasonably should know that the person will be subjected to involuntary servitude;

(2) Benefits financially or benefits by receiving anything of value from participation in a venture that he or she knows or reasonably should know is engaged in conduct prohibited under subdivision (a)(1) of this section;

(3) Subjects a person to involuntary servitude;

(4) Recruits, entices, solicits, isolates, harbors, transports, provides, maintains, or obtains a minor for commercial sexual activity;

(5) Sells or offers to sell travel services that he or she knows or reasonably should know include an activity prohibited under subdivisions (a)(1)-(4) of this section;

(6) Recruits, entices, solicits, isolates, harbors, transports, provides, maintains, or obtains a pregnant woman for the purpose of causing the pregnant woman to place her unborn child for adoption by:

(A) The use of or threatened use of physical force;

(B) The physical restraint or threat of physical restraint of a person;

(C) Serious physical injury or threat of serious physical injury to a person;

(D) Abuse or threatened abuse of law or legal process;

(E) Any scheme, plan, or pattern that has a purpose to cause the pregnant woman to believe that, if the pregnant woman does not place the unborn child for adoption, a person would suffer serious physical injury or physical restraint; or

(F) Means of serious harm or threats of serious harm to a person; ~~or~~

(7) Benefits financially or benefits by receiving anything of value from participating in an act described under subdivision (a)(6) of this section; or

(8) Recruits, entices, solicits, isolates, harbors, transports, provides, maintains, or obtains a minor for the purpose of causing the minor to join or remain

in a criminal organization or engage in a violation of criminal law by:

(A) The use or threatened use of physical force;

(B) The causing of serious physical harm to another person;

(C) The threat of causing serious physical harm to another person;

(D) Coercion, duress, or menace; or

(E) Any scheme, plan, or pattern that has a purpose to cause a minor to believe that, if the minor does not join or remain in the criminal organization or engage in a violation of criminal law, another person would suffer serious harm.

(b) It is not a defense to prosecution under ~~subdivision~~ subdivisions (a)(4) and (a)(8) of this section that the actor:

(1) Did not have knowledge of a victim's age; or

(2) Mistakenly believed a victim was not a minor.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 9-27-318(g)(9), concerning factors that a court is required to consider in a hearing on the transfer of a delinquency matter to a criminal division of circuit court, is amended to read as follows:

(9) Written reports, ~~and other~~ materials, and other information relating to the juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history, including without limitation exposure to adverse childhood experiences, childhood trauma, involvement in the child welfare or foster care systems, status as a victim of human trafficking, sexual abuse, or rape; and

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 9-27-503(c)(9), concerning factors that a court is required to consider in making a determination to designate a juvenile as an extended juvenile jurisdiction offender, is amended to read as follows:

(9) Written reports, ~~and other~~ materials, and other information relating to the juvenile's mental, physical, educational, and social history, including without limitation exposure to adverse childhood experiences, childhood trauma, involvement in the child welfare or foster care systems, status as a victim of human trafficking, sexual abuse, or rape; and

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code Title 16, Chapter 90, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

16-90-123. Sentencing of juvenile or person convicted for offense commited as juvenile - Factors.

If a person is convicted for an offense that the person committed when he or she was less than eighteen (18) years of age, the court shall, in addition to any other factors that the court is required to consider before imposing a sentence upon the person, consider the following:

(1) The exposure of the juvenile or person who committed the offense as a juvenile to adverse childhood experiences, childhood trauma, involvement in the child welfare or foster care systems, status as a victim of human trafficking, sexual abuse, or rape, and the impact of trauma on the juvenile’s behavior; and

(2) The differences between a juvenile offender and an offender, including without limitation the diminished culpability of a juvenile as compared to that of an adult and the typical characteristics of youth."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE DALBY

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 620 adopted by the House were read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 620 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 620

As Engrossed: H4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SAFETY VALVE FOR A MINOR DEFENDANT WHO IS ALSO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; TO AMEND THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT OF 2013; TO CREATE AN APPEAL RIGHT FOR A MINOR DEFENDANT WHO IS ALSO A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 620 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 620. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 620 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1017 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1017

As Engrossed: H1/16/25 H1/23/25 H3/31/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES A. COLLINS, SPRINGER, GONZALES, WORTHEN, BARNETT, *BROOKS*

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION TO PAY FOR ALL INCURRED COSTS FOR APPROVED PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1017 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1017. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Petty, Scott, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 2

NEGATIVE: Hickey, Johnson, M., Payton, Stubblefield.

Total 4

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Flippo, C. Penzo, Rice.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1017 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Murdock, House Bill No. 1625 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1625
As Engrossed: H3/13/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARNETT
BY: SENATOR R. MURDOCK

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSED HOME INSPECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1625 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Murdock moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1625. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 28

NEGATIVE: Boyd, McKee, Sullivan.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Payton, Rice.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1625 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1662 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662

As Engrossed: H3/19/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVES B. MCKENZIE, ET AL

BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOBBYING FOR A COVERED FOREIGN ENTITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1662 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice spoke against the bill.
Senator Dees spoke for the bill.
Senator Clark spoke against the bill.
Senator Stone spoke for the bill.
Senator Payton spoke against the bill.
Senator Dismang spoke for the bill.
Senator M. Johnson spoke for the bill.
Senator Hickey spoke against the bill.
Senator B. Johnson closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone.

Total 16

NEGATIVE: Clark, English, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Leding, Love, Payton, Rice, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 14

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Crowell, Flippo, Murdock, Scott.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 30
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So, the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Flowers moved for the clincher. Motion carried.

House Bill No. 1662 was returned to the House having failed to pass.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1842 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1842
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE OFFICE OF CRIMINAL DETENTION FACILITIES REVIEW COORDINATOR; TO PLACE THE OFFICE WITHIN THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1842 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1842. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1842 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 1843 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1843
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING RECORDS AND PHOTOGRAPHS KEPT BY THE STATE CRIME LABORATORY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1843 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1843.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1843 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1878 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1878
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGRUDER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE EARLY VOTING ACCESS FOR ARKANSANS RESIDING IN POPULATION CENTERS; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CONDUCT EARLY VOTING IN A CITY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1878 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson spoke against the bill.
Senator Clark spoke for the bill.
Senator Murdock spoke for the bill.
Senator Tucker closed for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Clark, Crowell, Davis, English, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 15

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Sullivan.

Total 16

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Flippo, Rice, Stubblefield.

Total 4

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 31

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill failed to pass.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Tucker moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1878 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1878 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 16, 2025.

On motion of Senator English, House Bill No. 1903 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1903
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES WALKER, BREAUX, M. BROWN,
JOEY CARR, GRAMLICH, PAINTER
BY: SENATOR J. ENGLISH

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH FLEXIBILITY REGARDING ALTERNATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1903 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass.

Senator English moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1903. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Scott, Tucker.

Total 5

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Davis.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1903 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 619 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 619

Amend Senate Bill No. 619 as engrossed S4/7/25:

Page 2, delete line 12, and substitute the following:
"section and call an election to be held for the voters who reside within the school district boundaries of the isolated school before it consolidated with the resulting or receiving district on the issue of an isolated school"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 2 through 9, and substitute the following:
"(c) Each member of an isolated school district board of directors shall initially draw lots for two-year or four-year terms in isolated school districts with four-year terms or two-year, four-year, or six-year terms in isolated school districts with six-year terms so that, as nearly as possible, an equal number of positions are filled in each subsequent election for an isolated school board no longer than:

(1) Two (2) isolated school board elections for those with four-year terms; or

(2) Three (3) isolated school board elections for those with six-year terms."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE WALKER

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 619 adopted by the House was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 619 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 619

As Engrossed: S4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WALKER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF AN ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO ESTABLISH THE MEMBERSHIP OF AN ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; TO CREATE A FUNDING MECHANISM FOR A NEWLY FORMED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO DIRECT OWNERSHIP OF FACILITIES AND PROPERTY OF ISOLATED SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 619 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Payton spoke for the bill.

Senator Irvin closed for the bill.

Senator Irvin moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 619. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 618 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1945 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1945

As Engrossed: H4/7/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCCOLLUM

BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. DOTSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; TO ALLOW A STUDENT TO TRANSFER TO ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL WITHIN HIS OR HER RESIDENT DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1945 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1945. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Dismang, Scott, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1945 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1951 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1951
As Engrossed: H4/3/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE A. COLLINS
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SET FORTH AUTHORIZED DOMAIN EXTENSIONS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION AND GOVERNMENT WEBSITES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1951 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1951. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1951 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1959 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1959

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE M. BROWN

BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO ABOLISH THE USE OF A WRIT OF SCIRE FACIAS AS THE MEANS OF REVIVING AN OUTSTANDING* JUDGMENT; TO ALLOW A JUDGMENT TO BE REVIVED BY NOTICE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FEES TO BE CHARGED BY CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1959 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1959. Moton carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1959 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1961 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1961
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR
BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ALLOW MEDICAL PROVIDERS TEMPORARY EXEMPTIONS FROM FEDERAL INFORMATION-BLOCKING REGULATIONS TO SAFEGUARD PATIENTS DURING INFORMATION DISCLOSURE; TO PROVIDE THERAPEUTIC PRIVILEGE FOR MEDICAL PROVIDERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1961 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Crowell Spoke for the bill.
Senator Hammer spoke for the bill.
Senator Love spoke against the bill.

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1961. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, English, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dotson, Gilmore, Hickey, Love, McKee, C. Penzo, Scott, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, Dismang, Flippo, Irvin, Murdock.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1961, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, English, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Payton, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Tucker.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dotson, Gilmore, Hickey, Love, McKee, C. Penzo, Scott, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, Dismang, Flippo, Irvin, Murdock.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

The record pertaining to the vote by which the Emergency Clause on House Bill No. 1961 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 16, 2025.

On motion of Senator Murdock, House Bill No. 1966 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1966
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BARNETT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN INCORPORATED TOWN OR A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS TO PETITION THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOCAL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OR SATELLITE SCHOOL UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1966 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Murdock moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1966. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1966 returned to the House as passed.

Senator Boyd moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause on House Bill No. 1961 failed be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 1961, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Clark, Crowell, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.
Total 26

NEGATIVE:
Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Caldwell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, Hickey, Irvin, Love, Murdock, Wallace.
Total 9

EXCUSED:
Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:
Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....26
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1961 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Penzo, House Bill No. 1967 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1967

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE K. BROWN

BY: SENATOR C. PENZO

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE UNLAWFUL DISTRIBUTION OF SEXUAL IMAGES OR RECORDINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1967 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Penzo moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1967. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1967 was returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 11:26 a.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

Senate Bill No. 437 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 491 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 601 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Bill No. 625 was returned from the House as passed as amended.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5 returned from House as concurred in and ordered enrolled.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 returned from House as concurred in and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 347 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

SENATE BILL NO. 647
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: SENATOR J. DISMANG
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BEATY, JR.

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ACT OF 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 647 was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator McKee, House Bill No. 1974 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1974
As Engrossed: H4/9/25
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES LONG, MCALINDON, *R. BURKES*
BY: SENATOR M. MCKEE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMPLOYMENT; TO PROHIBIT STATE ENTITIES FROM EMPLOYING UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS; TO ESTABLISH THE E-VERIFY REQUIREMENT ACT; TO REQUIRE STATE ENTITIES TO USE E-VERIFY TO CONFIRM EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1974 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator McKee moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1974. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Tucker.

Total 6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1974 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Dees, House Bill No. 1975 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1975

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GRAMLICH

BY: SENATOR DEES

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE CHILD CONTENT CREATION PROTECTION ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1975 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dees moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1975. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 31

NEGATIVE: Dotson, Hill.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flowers.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1975 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator B. Johnson, House Bill No. 1979 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1979
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE GAZAWAY
BY: SENATOR B. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO ALLOW WARRANTLESS SEARCHES BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF A PERSON PLACED ON SUSPENDED IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1979 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator B. Johnson moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1979. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 30

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Payton, Scott.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1979 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Stubblefield, House Bill No. 1983 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1983

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE EUBANKS

BY: SENATOR G. STUBBLEFIELD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND ACTS 1973, NO. 167, § 4, CONCERNING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY TO THE WESTARK AREA COUNCIL, INC., BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1983 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Stubblefield moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No.1983. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Love, Scott.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1983 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Davis, House Bill No. 1984 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1984
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, EVANS, GAZAWAY
BY: SENATORS B. DAVIS, J. SCOTT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A DESIGNATION FOR A REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER ON A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1997; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES AND PERMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1984 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1984. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 33

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Tucker.

Total 2

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1984 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Wallace, House Bill No. 1986 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1986
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE NAZARENKO
BY: SENATOR D. WALLACE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT CONCERNING EXCUSED ABSENCES FOR CHILDREN OF FALLEN SERVICE MEMBERS AND CHILDREN OF FALLEN FIRST RESPONDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1986 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Wallace moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1986. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1986 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hill, House Bill No. 1988 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1988

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE TOSH

BY: SENATOR HILL

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISTRIBUTION OF AUTO AUCTION FEES FOR SALVAGE-TITLED OR PARTS-ONLY TITLED VEHICLES; TO AMEND THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH AUTO AUCTION FEES FOR SALVAGE-TITLED OR PARTS-ONLY TITLED VEHICLES MAY BE USED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1988 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hill moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1988. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1988 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Bryant, House Bill No. 1991 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1991
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE CHILDRESS
BY: SENATOR J. BRYANT

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS RELATED TO A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE ARKANSAS FIRE PREVENTION CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1991 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Sullivan spoke for the bill.

Senator Bryant moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1991. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, English, Flowers, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, C. Penzo, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 20

NEGATIVE: Clark, Davis, Gilmore, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Scott, Stone, Tucker.

Total 10

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dismang, Flippo, Payton, Petty, Rice.

Total 5

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1991 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Rice, House Bill No. 1995 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1995
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE BENTLEY
BY: SENATOR RICE

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN PERRY COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1995 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Rice moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1995. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 35

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1995 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hammer, House Bill No. 2001 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2001
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE PAINTER
BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY REFORM AND EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2025; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY BOARD; TO AMEND THE QUALIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY BOARD; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A LIEN PLACED ON CARGO OR THE CONTENTS OF A PERSONAL VEHICLE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 2001 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 2001. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Irvin, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Murdock, Payton.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast 35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to House Bill No. 2001, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: Flowers, Irvin, Tucker.

Total 3

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Murdock, Payton.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL

House Bill No. 2001 was ordered returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Boyd, the rules were suspended in considering House Bill No. 1671 at this time.

On motion of Senator Boyd, House Bill No. 1671 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1671

As Engrossed: H4/7/25 H4/14/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

BY: SENATOR J. BOYD

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX; TO CREATE A GENERAL SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR SALES TO QUALIFIED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1671 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Boyd moved that the body roll the vote on House Bill No. 1671. Motoin carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 32

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Dotson, Payton.

Total 2

Total number of votes cast.....34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1671 returned to the House as passed.

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 437 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 437 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 437

Amend Senate Bill No. 437 as engrossed S3/20/25:

Page 5, delete lines 12 and 13, and substitute the following:
"interconnection with the power distribution grid or transmission grid;

(15) "Under development" means:

(1) Executed land leases;

(2) Commenced necessary state and federal studies related to construction of a wind energy facility; or

(3) Commenced construction of a wind energy facility;

(16) "Useful life" means the amount of time during which a wind"

AND

Page 5, line 15, delete "(16)(A)" and substitute "(17)(A)"

AND

Page 5, line 30, delete "(17)" and substitute "(18)"

AND

Page 5, line 36, delete "(18)(A)" and substitute "(19)(A)"

AND

Page 20, delete lines 27 through 31, and substitute the following:

"A wind energy facility project is exempt from this subchapter if the wind energy facility project is under development as of April 9, 2025."

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE HALL

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 437 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 437 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 437 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 437

As Engrossed: S3/20/25 H4/15/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HALL, EATON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 437 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 437. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Irvin, Johnson, B., King, Leding, McKee, Payton, Petty, Wallace.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, M., Love, C. Penzo, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker.

Total 14

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Murdock, Rice, Scott.

Total 3

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.437 was ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Hammer, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 491 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 491 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 491

Amend Senate Bill No. 491 as originally introduced:

Delete the title in its entirety, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO REQUIRE A VENDOR THAT CONTRACTS WITH THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION TO SUBMIT DATA FOR VERIFICATION BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A VENDOR THAT PROVIDES INACCURATE DATA; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety, and substitute the following:
"TO REQUIRE A VENDOR THAT CONTRACTS WITH THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION TO SUBMIT DATA FOR VERIFICATION BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A VENDOR THAT PROVIDES INACCURATE DATA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 2, line 10, delete "Office of State Procurement" and substitute "Employee Benefits Division"

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "office" and substitute "division"
AND

Page 2, line 14, delete "Employee Benefits Division" and substitute "division"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 491 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 491 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hammer, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hammer, Senate Bill No. 491 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 491

As Engrossed: H4/15/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR K. HAMMER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ACHOR

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: *AN ACT TO REQUIRE A VENDOR THAT CONTRACTS WITH THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION TO SUBMIT DATA FOR VERIFICATION BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT; TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY ON A VENDOR THAT PROVIDES INACCURATE DATA; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Senate Bill No. 491 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, English, Hammer, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dismang, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Stubblefield.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Leding, Rice.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flippo, Flowers, Irvin, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast 32

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 491, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Dees, Dotson, English, Hammer, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 19

NEGATIVE: Davis, Dismang, Gilmore, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Stubblefield.

Total 7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Leding, Rice.

Total 3

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Flippo, Flowers, Irvin, Love, Murdock, Scott.

Total 6

Total number of votes cast.....32

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause failed of adoption.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

* * * * * * * * * EXPUNGED* * * * * * * * *

Senator Hammer moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 491 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which the emergency clause of Senate Bill No. 491 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 16, 2025.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Bryant, Clark, Dismang, Flowers, Murdock.

Total 5

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Irvin.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast 30

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 491 was ordered enrolled

On motion of Senator Hester, the rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 601 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 601 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 601

Amend Senate Bill No. 601 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 27, delete "an additional subdivision" and substitute "additional subdivisions"

AND

Page 1, delete line 31, and substitute the following:
"services in this state as recognized by the Arkansas State Medical Board; and

(5) "Medically underserved population" means the same as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 254b, as existing on January 1, 2025."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 2 through 5, and substitute the following:
"~~State Medical Board~~ Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates."

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "operates in" and substitute "operates in a medically underserved population in"

AND

Page 3, line 5, delete "(c)" and substitute "(c)(1)"

AND

Page 3, line 7, delete "(1)" and substitute "(A)"

AND

Page 3, line 8, delete "or other healthcare provider"

AND

Page 3, delete line 9, and substitute the following:
"least three (3) consecutive years after licensure;"

AND

Page 3, line 10, delete "(2)" and substitute "(B)"

AND

Page 3, delete line 11, and substitute the following:
"business days after any change of employer;

(C) Appear personally before the Arkansas State Medical Board together with the sponsoring physician who is licensed by the Arkansas State Medical Board; and

(D) Present to the Arkansas State Medical Board information as to what area or department in which he or she will be practicing medicine and who will be his or her sponsoring physician.

(2) The license issued under subdivision (b)(3)(A)(iii)(c) of this section shall be a provisional license that authorizes practicing medicine only within the clinical programs approved by the sponsoring physician who is licensed by the Arkansas State Medical Board.

(3)(A) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall issue each provisional license under subdivision (b)(3)(A)(iii)(c) of this section for a period of one (1) year.

(B) At the end of one (1) year, the provisional license issued under subdivision (b)(3)(A)(iii)(c) of this section shall lapse, and if the physician desires to continue the practice of medicine under the provisional license issued under subdivision (b)(3)(A)(iii)(c) of this section, the physician shall:

(i) Submit completed renewal forms to the Arkansas State Medical Board providing information as requested by the Arkansas State Medical Board;

(ii) Pay a renewal fee as established by the Arkansas State Medical Board; and

(iii) If requested, appear in person before the Arkansas State Medical Board, together with the sponsoring physician.

(4) At the end of the second year of practice with a provisional license under subdivision (b)(3)(A)(iii)(c) of this section, the physician is eligible for an active, unrestricted license to practice medicine in this state after review and

approval of the Arkansas State Medical Board.

(5) A physician who obtains a license to practice medicine in the State of Arkansas shall comply with the Arkansas Medical Practices Act, § 17-95-201 et seq., § 17-95-301 et seq., and § 17-95-401 et seq., and all rules of the Arkansas State Medical Board."

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 601 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 2 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 601

Amend Senate Bill No. 601 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 27, delete "county;" and substitute "country;"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

Amendment Nos. 1 & 2 to Senate Bill No. 601 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 601 at this time.

On motion of Senator Hester, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Hester, Senate Bill No. 601 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 601

As Engrossed: H4/9/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR HESTER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE L. JOHNSON

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO CREATE A PATHWAY FOR A GRADUATE OF A FOREIGN MEDICAL SCHOOL TO BE LICENSED IN THIS STATE IF HE OR SHE IS OFFERED FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT AS A PHYSICIAN FROM A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 601 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hester moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 601. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE: Flowers.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast.....35

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No.601 was ordered enrolled.

The rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 625 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 625 was called up for the purpose of considering Amendment No. 1 thereto, adopted by the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 625

Amend Senate Bill No. 625 as engrossed S4/9/25:

Page 2, line 33, delete "~~(vii)~~(M)" and substitute "~~(vii)~~(M)(i)"

AND

Page 2, delete line 35, and substitute the following:
"student who is a student with a disability.

(ii) Educational services provided under subdivision (11)(M)(i) of this section may be provided in a nontraditional setting that has been

recommended and approved by a licensed or accredited practitioner or physician for a participating student who is a student with a disability;"

AND

Page 4, line 7, delete "deadline;" and substitute "deadline; and"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 8 through 10

AND

Page 4, line 11, delete "(15)" and substitute "(14)"

AND

Page 5, line 29, delete "~~(f)(1)~~(e)(1)" and substitute "~~(f)(1)~~(e)(1)(A)"

AND

Page 5, line 32, delete "(A)" and substitute "~~(A)~~(i)"

AND

Page 5, line 34, delete "(B)" and substitute "~~(B)~~(ii)"

AND

Page 5, line 35, delete "(C)" and substitute "~~(C)~~(iii)"

AND

Page 6, line 2, delete "(D)" and substitute "(iv)"

AND

Page 6, line 4, delete "(E)" and substitute "(v)"

AND

Page 6, delete line 6, and substitute the following:
"Account Program.

(B) If a participating student's account is closed following the

occurrence of an event under subdivision (e)(1)(A)(iv) or (e)(1)(A)(v) of this section, the participating student's parent may appeal the division's decision to close the participating student's account to the state board according to rules promulgated by the state board."

AND

Page 6, delete line 10, and substitute the following:

"(A) ~~A substantial~~ Evidence of intentional misuse of account funds according to rules promulgated by the division; or"

AND

Page 6, delete line 17, and substitute the following"

"funds when evidence of intentional misuse of account funds according to rules promulgated by the division has been shown through all"

AND

Page 6, line 31, delete "(k)(1)" and substitute "(k)(1)(A)"

AND

Page 6, line 32, delete "begin" and substitute "begin for the initial application period"

AND

Page 6, delete line 33, and substitute the following:

"and finish no later than June 1 for an upcoming school year.

(B) The division shall promulgate rules for an applicant who meets criteria established by the division and who submits an application under this subchapter outside the time frame established by subdivision (k)(1)(A) of this section, including without limitation an applicant who moves:

(i) To this state from another state; or

(ii) From an area of this state that does not have a participating school to an area of this state that does have a participating school."

AND

Page 7, delete lines 1 through 3, and substitute the following:

"(3) If an applicant changes from one (1) participating school to another participating school, the applicant shall not be entitled to"

AND

Page 12, line 20, delete "evidence of" and substitute "evidence of intentional"

AND

Page 13, line 25, delete "misuse" and substitute "intentional misuse"

(SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 625 adopted by the House, was read first, rules suspended, read second time and concurred in by the Senate.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

The rules were suspended in considering Senate Bill No. 625 at this time.

On motion of Senator Davis, and without objection, the rules were suspended pertaining to passage of Amendment and Bill on the same day.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate Bill No. 625 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 625

As Engrossed: S4/9/25 H4/15/25

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

BY: SENATOR B. DAVIS

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BROOKS

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNT PROGRAM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senate Bill No. 625 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Dotson spoke on the bill.

Senator Davis moved that the body roll the vote on Senate Bill No. 625. Motion carried.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: C. Penzo.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, Leding, Murdock.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast.....34

Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

There being an emergency clause attached to Senate Bill No. 625, the President ordered the Secretary to call the roll upon the adoption of the emergency clause.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Flowers, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., Love, McKee, Payton, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 29

NEGATIVE: C. Penzo.

Total 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: King.

Total 1

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT: Bryant, Dees, Leding, Murdock.

Total 4

Total number of votes cast 34

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....24

So the emergency clause was adopted.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senate Bill No. 625 was ordered enrolled.

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On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1878 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1878
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGRUDER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE EARLY VOTING ACCESS FOR ARKANSANS RESIDING IN POPULATION CENTERS; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CONDUCT EARLY VOTING IN A CITY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1878 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Payton, Rice, Scott, Tucker.

Total 18

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.

Total 17

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED:

Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

Total number of votes cast 35
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Dees requested a Sounding of the Ballot passed of House Bill No.1878. Five hands were seen, whereupon the Secretary sounded the ballot. Results are as follows:

Total number of votes cast	34
Necessary to the passage of the Bill	24
Total number voting in the affirmative	17
Total number voting in the negative	17
Total number absent or not voting	1

Upon sounding of the ballot, the bill failed.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator M. Johnson moved for the Clincher. The motion failed.

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Senator Dees moved that the record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1878 failed to pass be expunged, the motion was duly seconded and prevailed.

The record pertaining to the vote by which House Bill No. 1878 failed was expunged, in accordance with a prevailing motion on April 16, 2025.

On motion of Senator Tucker, House Bill No. 1878 was called up for third reading and final disposition.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1878
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
BY: REPRESENTATIVE MCGRUDER

A Bill for an Act to be Entitled: AN ACT TO ENSURE EARLY VOTING ACCESS FOR ARKANSANS RESIDING IN POPULATION CENTERS; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CONDUCT EARLY VOTING IN A CITY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

House Bill No. 1878 was placed on third reading and final disposition, the question being: Shall the Bill pass?

Senator Hammer spoke for the bill.
Senator Dotson spoke against the bill.
Senator Tucker spoke for the bill.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, English, Flippo, Flowers, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, King, Leding, Love, Murdock, Rice, Scott, Tucker.
Total 18

NEGATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Dees, Dotson, Gilmore, Hammer, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., McKee, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Wallace.
Total 16

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Dismang.
Total 1

EXCUSED:
Total 0

VOTING PRESENT:
Total 0

Total number of votes cast 34
Necessary to the passage of the bill 18

So the bill passed and the title as read was agreed to.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

House Bill No. 1878 was returned to the House as passed.

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On motion of Senator Hester the Senate recessed until 12:50 p.m.

The Senate reconvened after recess. The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was present.

Senate Bill No. 121 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 217 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 355 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 444 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 554 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 638 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 419 was withdrawn from the Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Leding, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 419 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on REVENUE & TAXATION.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 548 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Leding, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 548 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Leding, Senate Bill No. 549 was withdrawn from the Committee on JUDICIARY, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Leding, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 549 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on JUDICIARY.

On motion of Senator Irvin, Senate Bill No. 626 was withdrawn from the Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Irvin, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 626 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on INSURANCE & COMMERCE.

On motion of Senator Dismang, Senate Bill No. 647 was withdrawn from the Committee on CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Dismang, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 647 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on City, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS.

On motion of Senator Penzo, Senate Bill No. 616 was withdrawn from the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR, and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Senator Penzo, and without objection, Senate Bill No. 616 was recommended for study in the interim by Senate Interim Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5 was returned from the House as concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15 was returned from the House as concurred in.

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5 was ordered enrolled.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15 was ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 121 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 217 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 290 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 347 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 355 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 437 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 444 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

Senate Bill No. 457 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 491 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 554 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 571 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 601 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 612 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 619 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 620 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 625 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 638 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 54 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 67 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 486 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 538 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 591 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 596 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 636 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.
Senate Bill No. 637 was returned from the House as passed and ordered enrolled.

ARKANSAS SENATE
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION

April 16, 2025

Madam President:

We, your Committee on ENROLLED BILLS, to whom was referred:

SENATE BILL NO. 54, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE,
SENATE BILL NO. 67, BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.
SENATE BILL NO.121, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO.217, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO.290, SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO.347, SENATOR CLINT PENZO,

SENATE BILL NO.355, SENATOR JOSHUA BRYANT,
SENATE BILL NO.437, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO.444, SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO.457, BY SENATOR GREG LEDING,
SENATE BILL NO.486, BY SENATOR BLAKE JOHNSON,
SENATE BILL NO.491, BY SENATOR KIM HAMMER,
SENATE BILL NO.538, BY SENATOR BEN GILMORE,
SENATE BILL NO.554, BY SENATOR CLARKE TUCKER,
SENATE BILL NO.571, BY SENATOR JIM PETTY,
SENATE BILL NO.591, BY SENATOR CLINT PENZO,
SENATE BILL NO.596, BY SENATOR MATT MCKEE,
SENATE BILL NO.601, BY SENATOR BART HESTER,
SENATE BILL NO.612, BY SENATOR TYLER DEES,
SENATE BILL NO.619, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO.620, BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE BILL NO.625, BY SENATOR BREANNE DAVIS,
SENATE BILL NO.636, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO.637, BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,
SENATE BILL NO.638, BY SENATOR JUSTIN BOYD,
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5,
BY SENATOR MISSY IRVIN,
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15,
BY SENATOR JONATHAN DISMANG,

report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 2:11 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) RICKY HILL, CHAIRMAN

GOVERNOR'S BILL RECEIPTS

SENATE BILL NO. 54
SENATE BILL NO. 67
SENATE BILL NO.121

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SENATE BILL NO.636
SENATE BILL NO.637
SENATE BILL NO.638
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO.15

RECEIVED the above papers from the Secretary of the Senate this sixteenth day of April, 2025 at 2:46 p.m.

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, GOVERNOR
(SIGNED) KATHERINE HINDSLEY, SECRETARY

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SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 121
SENATE BILL NO. 217
SENATE BILL NO. 347
SENATE BILL NO. 355
SENATE BILL NO. 444
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SENATE BILL NO. 538
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SENATE BILL NO. 591
SENATE BILL NO. 638

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED AND ORDERED ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 54
SENATE BILL NO. 67
SENATE BILL NO. 596
SENATE BILL NO. 636
SENATE BILL NO. 637

SENATE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NO. 1

SENATE BILL NO. 437
SENATE BILL NO. 491
SENATE BILL NO. 625

SENATE BILL RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS PASSED AS AMENDED NOS. 1 & 2

SENATE BILL NO. 601

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS CONCURRED IN

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION RETURNED FROM THE HOUSE
AS ADOPTED

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1017
HOUSE BILL NO. 1624
HOUSE BILL NO. 1625
HOUSE BILL NO. 1671
HOUSE BILL NO. 1842
HOUSE BILL NO. 1843
HOUSE BILL NO. 1878
HOUSE BILL NO. 1903
HOUSE BILL NO. 1945
HOUSE BILL NO. 1951
HOUSE BILL NO. 1959
HOUSE BILL NO. 1966
HOUSE BILL NO. 1967
HOUSE BILL NO. 1974
HOUSE BILL NO. 1975
HOUSE BILL NO. 1979
HOUSE BILL NO. 1983
HOUSE BILL NO. 1984
HOUSE BILL NO. 1986
HOUSE BILL NO. 1988
HOUSE BILL NO. 1991
HOUSE BILL NO. 1995

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
AS PASSED/EMERGENCY CLAUSE ADOPTED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1961
HOUSE BILL NO. 2001
HOUSE BILL NO. 2003

HOUSE BILL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE
HAVING FAILED TO PASS

HOUSE BILL NO. 1662

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED
TO THE SENATE AS ADOPTED

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1004

EXTENDED RECESS (WITHOUT OBJECTION)

In accordance with the terms and conditions adopted in House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006, the Senate will stand in recess at the close of business today and will remain in recess until the Senate is reconvened for the express and limited purposes outlined in House Concurrent Resolution No. 1006, or, if it is determined that reconvening is not necessary, the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly is adjourned sine die on or before 12:00 noon, May 5, 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SENATE CHAMBER

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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Little Rock, Arkansas

May 5, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock p.m. by the President.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, PENZO, PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Love requested leave for Senator Flowers. Leave granted.

The Senate was led in prayer by Senator Love.

The Senate was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by the President.

On motion of Senator Hester, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

JOINT PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, House Concurrent Resolution 1006 (HCR 1006) of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly provided for a recess of the Regular Session on or before April 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, HCR 1006 authorized the Speaker of the House and President Pro Tempore of the Senate, by Joint Proclamation, to reconvene the General Assembly at any time before 12:00 noon, May 5, 2025, to consider vetoes, correct errors and oversights, complete work on proposed constitutional amendments, consider the need for further extension of the Regular Session, or to adjourn sine die.

NOW THEREFORE, We the undersigned Speaker of the House and President Pro Tempore of the Senate, pursuant to provisions of HCR 1006, hereby direct that the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly shall reconvene at **10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 5, 2025,** to address any issues mentioned above and adjourn sine die.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed at the State Capitol in Little Rock, on this 30th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five.

(SIGNED) Brian S. Evans
Speaker of the House of Representatives

(SIGNED) Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Senate

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

April 23, 2025

Dear President Pro Tempore Hester and Speaker Evans,

Pursuant to my authority under Ark. Const. Art. 6, §15, I am returning without my approval Senate Bill 451, entitled "To require the Department of Human Servies and the Department of Education to establish regional behavioral health programs; to amend the law concerning the education of certain students; and to declare an emergency."

School administrators, teachers, and principals are increasingly managing student behavioral issues, including aggression and violence. These issues cause disruptions in the academic environment, distracting from schools' core function: a safe environment where all students can learn. Without sufficient interventions, these issues will continue to distract from our focus on academic improvement. While I applaud the intent and goal of this legislation, I don't think it addresses this issue in the targeted way we need without taking away from ongoing efforts. Therefore, I am vetoing this legislation.

I have directed the Secretaries of the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services to work with interested parties to come up with a solution that is more tailored to the needs of our local public schools.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor of Arkansas

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 18, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 16, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 9 - ACT 622
Senate Bill No. 576 - ACT 623
Senate Bill No. 303 - ACT 644
Senate Bill No. 467 - ACT 645
Senate Bill No. 470 - ACT 646
Senate Bill No. 515 - ACT 647
Senate Bill No. 522 - ACT 648
Senate Bill No. 572 - ACT 649
Senate Bill No. 552 - ACT 680
Senate Bill No. 371 - ACT 653
Senate Bill No. 426 - ACT 654
Senate Bill No. 497 - ACT 655
Senate Bill No. 302 - ACT 659
Senate Bill No. 314 - ACT 661
Senate Bill No. 375 - ACT 662
Senate Bill No. 427 - ACT 663
Senate Bill No. 428 - ACT 664
Senate Bill No. 429 - ACT 665
Senate Bill No. 430 - ACT 666
Senate Bill No. 442 - ACT 667
Senate Bill No. 446 - ACT 668
Senate Bill No. 449 - ACT 669
Senate Bill No. 485 - ACT 670
Senate Bill No. 553 - ACT 671
Senate Bill No. 390 - ACT 695
Senate Bill No. 408 - ACT 696
Senate Bill No. 460 - ACT 697
Senate Bill No. 464 - ACT 698
Senate Bill No. 492 - ACT 699
Senate Bill No. 496 - ACT 700

Senate Bill No. 530 - ACT 701
Senate Bill No. 540 - ACT 702
Senate Bill No. 550 - ACT 703
Senate Bill No. 562 - ACT 704
Senate Bill No. 594 - ACT 705
Senate Bill No. 494 - ACT 717
Senate Bill No. 495 - ACT 718
Senate Bill No. 567 - ACT 719
Senate Bill No. 577 - ACT 720

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 18, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 17, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 352 - ACT 721
Senate Bill No. 425 - ACT 722
Senate Bill No. 539 - ACT 723
Senate Bill No. 183 - ACT 724
Senate Bill No. 402 - ACT 725
Senate Bill No. 484 - ACT 726
Senate Bill No. 504 - ACT 727
Senate Bill No. 547 - ACT 728
Senate Bill No. 559 - ACT 729
Senate Bill No. 604 - ACT 730
Senate Bill No. 618 - ACT 731
Senate Bill No. 624 - ACT 732
Senate Bill No. 313 - ACT 733
Senate Bill No. 343 - ACT 734
Senate Bill No. 367 - ACT 735
Senate Bill No. 420 - ACT 736
Senate Bill No. 439 - ACT 737
Senate Bill No. 478 - ACT 738
Senate Bill No. 480 - ACT 739
Senate Bill No. 560 - ACT 740
Senate Bill No. 563 - ACT 741
Senate Bill No. 574 - ACT 742
Senate Bill No. 598 - ACT 743
Senate Bill No. 599 - ACT 744
Senate Bill No. 610 - ACT 745
Senate Bill No. 627 - ACT 746
Senate Bill No. 520 - ACT 747
Senate Bill No. 521 - ACT 748
Senate Bill No. 342 - ACT 749
Senate Bill No. 364 - ACT 750

Senate bill No. 374 - ACT 751
Senate Bill No. 406 - ACT 752
Senate Bill No. 435 - ACT 753
Senate Bill No. 487 - ACT 754
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Senate Bill No. 537 - ACT 763
Senate Bill No. 551 - ACT 764
Senate Bill No. 555 - ACT 765
Senate Bill No. 578 - ACT 766
Senate Bill No. 580 - ACT 767
Senate Bill No. 584 - ACT 768
Senate Bill No. 590 - ACT 769
Senate Bill No. 597 - ACT 770
Senate Bill No. 600 - ACT 771
Senate Bill No. 311 - ACT 772
Senate Bill No. 475 - ACT 773
Senate Bill No. 527 - ACT 774
Senate Bill No. 544 - ACT 775
Senate Bill No. 72 - ACT 776
Senate Bill No. 92 - ACT 777
Senate Bill No.369 - ACT 778
Senate Bill No. 481 - ACT 779
Senate Bill No. 500 - ACT 780
Senate Bill No. 535 - ACT 781
Senate Bill No. 538 - ACT 782
Senate Bill No. 573 - ACT 783

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 22, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 21, 2025, I reviewed and approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5
Senate Joint Resolution No. 11
Senate Joint Resolution No. 15
Senate Bill No. 611 - ACT 900
Senate Bill No. 612 - ACT 901
Senate Bill No. 90 - ACT 902
Senate Bill No. 640 - ACT 903
Senate Bill No. 450 - ACT 915
Senate Bill No. 619 - ACT 919
Senate Bill No. 625 - ACT 920
Senate Bill No. 290 - ACT 921
Senate Bill No. 397 - ACT 931
Senate Bill No. 400 - ACT 933
Senate Bill No. 533 - ACT 934
Senate Bill No. 546 - ACT 935
Senate Bill No. 565 - ACT 936
Senate Bill No. 596 - ACT 940
Senate Bill No. 437 - ACT 945
Senate Bill No. 443 - ACT 949
Senate Bill No. 489 - ACT 950
Senate Bill No. 486 - ACT 955
Senate Bill No. 491 - ACT 956
Senate Bill No. 483 - ACT 957
Senate Bill No. 519 - ACT 958
Senate Bill No. 632 - ACT 964
Senate Bill No. 121 - ACT 968

Senate Bill No. 217 - ACT 969
Senate Bill No. 444 - ACT 970
Senate Bill No. 601 - ACT 971

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 23, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 21, 2025, I ALLOWED the following measure from the LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY to go into law without my signature

Senate Bill No. 490 - ACT 972

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

STATE OF ARKANSAS

SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS

Governor

April 23, 2025

TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

Dear Mr. President:

This is to inform you that on April 22, 2025, I approved the following measures from the REGULAR SESSION of the NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Senate Bill No. 591 - ACT 973
Senate Bill No. 431 - ACT 987
Senate Bill No. 458 - ACT 988
Senate Bill No. 575 - ACT 989
Senate Bill No. 583 - ACT 990
Senate Bill No. 608 - ACT 991
Senate Bill No. 614 - ACT 992
Senate Bill No. 355 - ACT 1000
Senate Bill No. 457 - ACT 1001
Senate Bill No. 571 - ACT 1002
Senate Bill No. 620 - ACT 1003
Senate Bill No. 93 - ACT 1010
Senate Bill No. 346 - ACT 1011
Senate Bill No. 568 - ACT 1012
Senate Bill No. 54 - ACT 1015
Senate Bill No. 67 - ACT 1016
Senate Bill No. 636 - ACT 1017
Senate Bill No. 637 - ACT 1018
Senate Bill No. 638 - ACT 1019
Senate Bill No. 554 - ACT 1022
Senate Bill No. 347 - ACT 1025

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

cc: Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk/Fiscal Officer, Arkansas House of Representatives

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May 5, 2025

Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol Building, Room 320
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The General Assembly's use of emergency clauses in the general session this year was unnecessarily excessive. While some legislative measures need to take immediate effect, most do not. Rather than repeatedly inserting impractical objections during the session to what has seemingly become a common ingredient in Arkansas legislation, please instead record this letter in the Senate Journal as an expression of my general disapproval of the use of emergency clauses from this year's session.

When an ordinary legislative measure is referred to the people by referendum, the measure remains in abeyance until a vote of the people has taken place. As a result, the measure only becomes law if the people approve. But the opposite is true when an emergency clause is added to the mix. An emergency measure becomes law "without delay," and "shall be a law until it is voted upon by the people" and "repealed." In short, Arkansans have a harder time successfully referring and repealing *existing* laws than they do referring and rejecting *potential* laws. In light of that reality, I generally disapprove of a practice that dilutes the peoples' voice. Emergency clauses should only be used in the face of true emergencies.

To explain further, I do not believe that Arkansas's "public peace, health, and safety" is in the precarious condition that the uptick in the use of emergency clauses would lead the public to believe. Even more fundamentally, emergencies are (by definition) not

common; in fact, they aren't even somewhat common. Once again, I generally disapprove of the legislature's increasingly *common* use of emergency clauses.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Clarke Tucker
State Senator
District 14

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May 5, 2025

Ms. Sherri Stacks, Chief Clerk & Fiscal Officer
House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 350
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Stacks:

I am enclosing herewith the following House Bills remaining in the Senate at Sine Die Adjournment on May 5, 2025:

HOUSE BILLS DYING ON THE SENATE CALENDAR HAVING FAILED TO PASS

HB 1624

HOUSE BILLS DYING IN SENATE COMMITTEE

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HB 1149 HB 1852
1632 HB 1981

CITY, COUNTY LOCAL AFFAIRS

HB 1686

EDUCATION

HB	**1180**	**HB**	**1495**
	1242		**1684**
	1283		**1806**
	1370		**1919**
	1483		**1946**

INSURANCE & COMMERCE

HB	**1055**
	1955
	1956
	1994

JUDICIARY

HB	**1611**
	1726
	1848

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR

HB	**1004**	**HB**	**1442**
	1164		**1576**
	1218		**1915**
	1251		**1982**
	1332		**1987**
	1403		

REVENUE & TAXATION

HB	**1485**
	1534
	1828

STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

HB	**1714**	**HB**	**1879**
	1873		**1949**

TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

HB	**1944**

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF ARKANSAS
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

BRIAN S. EVANS, SPEAKER
John T. Vines, PARLIAMENTARIAN
Sherri Stacks, CHIEF CLERK

May 5, 2025

The Honorable Ann Cornwell
Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

Attached are the Senate Bills that died in the House at Sine Die Adjournment of the Regular Session of the 95th General Assembly.

Failed on the House Calendar

SB122	SB168	SB262	SB325	SB326	SB362
SB441	SB445	SB447	SB569	SB585	

Died in the House

SB149	SB459	SB534	SB603
SB613	SB621	SCR7	SCR8

Aging, Children and Youth and Legislative Affairs Committee
SB340

City, County and Local Affairs
SB525

Education Committee

SB373	SB634

House Rules Committee
SB635

Insurance and Commerce Committee

SB331	SB602	SB639

Judiciary Committee

SB277	SB321	SB629

Public, Health, Welfare and Labor Committee

SB2	SB117	SB120	SB187	SB238

SB255 SB473 SB507 SB622

Public Retirement and Social Security Programs-Joint Committee
SB157
Public Transportation Committee
SB261

Revenue and Taxation Committee
SB605

State Agencies and Governmental Affairs Committee
SB12 SB184 SB376 SB471 SB536 SB570

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Sherri Stacks
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House of Representatives

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May 5, 2025

Marty Garrity, Director
Bureau of Legislative Research
State Capitol, Room 315
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Garrity:

I am enclosing herewith the following Senate Bills that were referred to Interim Study:

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SB 645

CITY, COUNTY & LOCAL AFFAIRS

SB 456
647

EDUCATION

SB 138

INSURANCE & COMMERCE

SB 140
229
593
626
643

JUDICIARY

SB 462
548
549
623

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & LABOR

SB 235
284
285
286
287
SB 288
440
556
557
616

REVENUE & TAXATION

SB 49
419

STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SJR 16

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director, Arkansas Senate
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May 5, 2025

The Honorable Cole Jester
Secretary of State
State Capitol, Room
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. Jester:

I am enclosing herewith the following Senate Resolutions and Senate Bills remaining in the Senate at Sine Die Adjournment of the Regular Session of the 95th General Assembly on May 5, 2025:

SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS READ AND ADOPTED

SMR 1
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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DYING IN THE COMMITTEE

EDUCATION

SCR 3

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DYING IN THE SENATE

SCR 2

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS DYING IN THE COMMITTEE

STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SJR	**1**	**6**	**12**	**21**
	2	**7**	**14**	**22**
	3	**8**	**17**	**24**
	4	**9**	**18**	
	5	**10**	**20**	

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION DYING ON THE SENATE CALENDAR

SJR 13

SENATE RESOLUTIONS READ & ADOPTED

SR	**1**	**11**	**21**	**31**	**41**	**51**	**61**
	2	**12**	**22**	**32**	**42**	**52**	**62**
	3	**13**	**23**	**33**	**43**	**53**	**63**
	4	**14**	**24**	**34**	**44**	**54**	**64**
	5	**15**	**25**	**35**	**45**	**55**	**65**
	6	**16**	**26**	**36**	**46**	**56**	**66**
	7	**17**	**27**	**37**	**47**	**57**	**67**
	8	**18**	**28**	**38**	**48**	**58**	**68**
	9	**19**	**29**	**39**	**49**	**59**	**69**
	10	**20**	**30**	**40**	**50**	**60**	**70**
	71						
	74						
	75						

SENATE RESOLUTION DYING ON THE SENATE CALENDAR

SR 72

SENATE RESOLUTION DYING ON THE SENATE CALENDAR HAVING FAILED TO BE ADOPTED

SR 73

SENATE BILLS WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR

SB 47, 84, 86, 179, 283, 309, 315, 358, 386, 396, 404, 415, 418, 499, 506, 524, 592

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR

SJR 19, 23

SENATE BILL VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR

SB 451

SENATE BILLS DYING ON SENATE CALENDAR HAVING FAILED TO PASS

SB 164, 258, 282, 372, 410, 468, 469, 586, 615

SENATE BILL DYING ON SENATE BUDGET CALENDAR HAVING FAILED TO PASS

SB 354

SENATE BILLS DYING ON SENATE CALENDAR

SB 87, 644

SENATE BILLS DYING IN SENATE COMMITTEES:

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SB	85	SB	466
	281		582
	455		

CITY, COUNTY AND LOCAL AFFAIRS

SB	10	SB	399	SB	588
	60		518		
	69		531		

EDUCATION

SB	205	SB	436
	215		438
	216		482
	239		528
	243		607
	266		

INSURANCE AND COMMERCE

SB	11
	62
	646

JOINT BUDGET

SB	8	SB	350
	201		360
	341		363
	349		633

JOINT PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS

SB	79	SB	156	SB	163
	151		158		
	152		159		
	154		161		
	155		162		

JUDICIARY

SB	5	SB	472	SB	628
	6		477		630
	143		501		631
	144		509		641
	145		566		642
	356		581		
	452		595		
	461		609		

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR

SB	95	SB	312	SB	606
	110		474		
	221		532		
	225		542		
	269		543		
	273		587		
	306		589		

REVENUE AND TAXATION

SB	7	SB	289	SB	526
	57		310		558
	73		316		
	82		318		
	131		338		
	204		377		
	233		394		
	256		423		
	268		465		
	274		502		

STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SB	4	SB	395	SB	517
	44		398		579
	141		434		617
	212		453		
	247		476		
	248		493		

TRANSPORTATION, TECHNOLOGY AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

SB	96	SB	541
	330		561

SENATE BILLS ON THE HOUSE CALENDAR HAVING FAILED TO PASS

SB	122	SB	362	SB	585
	168		441		
	262		445		
	325		447		
	326		569		

SENATE BILLS DYING IN THE HOUSE

SB	**149**	**SB**	**603**
	459		**613**
	534		**621**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS DYING IN HOUSE

SCR	**7**
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SENATE BILLS DYING IN HOUSE COMMITTEES:

AGING, CHILDREN AND YOUTH AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

SB	**340**

CITY, COUNTY AND LOCAL AFFAIRS

SB	**525**

EDUCATION

SB	**373**
	634

HOUSE RULES

SB	**635**

INSURANCE & COMMERCE

SB	**331**
	602
	639

JUDICIARY

SB	**277**
	321
	629

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR

SB	**2**	**SB**	**255**
	117		**473**
	120		**507**
	187		**622**
	238		

PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS – JOINT COMMITTEE

SB 157

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

SB 261

REVENUE AND TAXATION

SB 605

STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SB	**12**	**SB**	**471**
	184		**536**
	376		**570**

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of the Senate

Senator Hester was recognized and stated:

After conferring with the Speaker of the House of Representatives and determining that there is no further business to come before the Senate in the Regular Session of the 95th General Assembly, **I move** the Senate adjourn sine die, subject to the House's adjournment sine die, and give the House consent to do the same.

By voice vote, the motion carried.

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate adjourned until Sine Die.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

ADDENDUMS

MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025
SENATE BUSINESS MEETING
95th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Senate Business Meeting was called to order at 10:19 a.m., by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

Senator Love requested leave for Senator Flowers. Leave was granted. The following members were present:

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members voted:

AFFIRMATIVE: Boyd, Bryant, Caldwell, Clark, Crowell, Davis, Dees, Dismang, Dotson, English, Flippo, Gilmore, Hammer, Hester, Hickey, Hill, Irvin, Johnson, B., Johnson, M., King, Leding, Love, McKee, Murdock, Payton, C. Penzo, Petty, Rice, Scott, Stone, Stubblefield, Sullivan, Tucker, Wallace.

Total 34

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

Total 0

EXCUSED: Flowers

Total 1

VOTING PRESENT:

Total 0

(SIGNED) ANN CORNWELL, SECRETARY

Senator Davis was recognized to give the Senate Rules Committee report.

Senator Davis reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on Monday, May 5, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised the names on the May 5, 2025 List were approved by the Committee in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch. There were no requests for a separate vote on any of the appointments.

Senator Davis moved for the confirmation of the May 5, 2025 List of gubernatorial appointments approved by the Senate Rules Committee in one batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The May 5, 2025 List of gubernatorial appointments was confirmed.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS - MAY 5, 2025 FLOOR LIST

(Interim Business Meeting - 95th General Assembly)

Arkansas Forestry Commission:

1) John McAlpine — Senator Gilmore

Arkansas Public Service Commission:

1) Lawrence Justin Tate — Senator M. Johnson

Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System:

1) Larry Walther — Senator Tucker

Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas:

1) Judd Deere — Senator Hammer

Oil and Gas Commission:

1) Lawrence Bengal — Senator M. Johnson

On motion of Senator Hester, the Senate Business Meeting Adjourned.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

April 24, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate John McAlpine of Drew County, to the Arkansas Forestry Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, John McAlpine will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of John McAlpine by vote of the full Senate.

John McAlpine stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

February 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Lawrence Justin Tate of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Public Service Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Lawrence Justin Tate will serve a term to expire January 14, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Lawrence Justin Tate by vote of the full Senate.

Lawrence Justin Tate stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

March 10, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Larry Walther of Pulaski County, to the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Larry Walther will serve a term to expire March 9, 2031.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Larry Walther by vote of the full Senate.

Larry Walther stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

March 13, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Judd Deere of Pulaski County, to the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Judd Deere will serve a term to expire March 1, 2035.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Judd Deere by vote of the full Senate.

Judd Deere stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

April 23, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Lawrence Bengal of Pulaski County, to the Oil and Gas Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Lawrence Bengal will serve a term to expire February 20, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Lawrence Bengal by vote of the full Senate.

Lawrence Bengal stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
Governor

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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April 24, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of John McAlpine of Drew County as a member of the Arkansas Forestry Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

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February 20, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Lawrence Justin Tate of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Public Service Commission for a term to expire January 14, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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March 10, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Larry Walther of Pulaski County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System for a term to expire March 9, 2031.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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March 13, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Judd Deere of Pulaski County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas for a term to expire March 1, 2035.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Kim Hammer

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April 23, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that the Senate of the Regular Session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, confirmed the appointment of Lawrence Bengal of Pulaski County as a member of the Oil and Gas Commission for a term to expire February 20, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

ADDENDUM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025
SENATE BUSINESS MEETING
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Senate Business meeting was called to order at 10:42 a.m.

Senator Blake Johnson was in the chair.

Senator Davis was recognized and requested leave for the following Senators:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CROWELL, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HESTER, KING, PENZO, PETTY, STUBBLEFIELD.

Leave was granted.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

CLARK, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, HAMMER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, JOHNSON, B., JOHNSON, M., LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on Friday, August 15, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised the names on the August 15, 2025 Floor List were approved by the Committee and recommended to the Senate for confirmation in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch.

There were no requests for a separate vote on any of the appointments.

Senator Davis moved for the Senate to confirm the batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The names on the August 15, 2025 Floor List of appointments were confirmed in a batch.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS – AUGUST 15, 2025:

(FLOOR LIST)

Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board:

Amanda Dawson	-	Senator English
Detri Brech	-	Senator Crowell
Jeff Odom	-	Senator Dees

Arkansas Economic Development Council:

John Newcomb	-	Senator Wallace

Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission:

Edwin Spaeth	-	Senator Irvin
Hal Hunnicutt	-	Senator Mark Johnson
James Madison White IV	-	Senator Davis
Melody Bozza	-	Senator Clark
Ricky Davis	-	Senator Stone

Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission:

Jamie Anderson	-	Senator Hill

Arkansas State Medical Board:

Dr. Sarah Bone	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee:

Hannah King	-	Senator Sullivan
Scott Harmon	-	Senator Irvin

Arkansas Veterans' Commission:

Dianna Lankford	-	Senator Dotson
Martha Cothren	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Michael Bradford Hegeman	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Monte Mills	-	Senator Dotson

Arkansas Workforce Development Board:

Aaron Chastain	-	Senator Stubblefield
Barry Sellers	-	Senator Davis
Teri Cox-Meadows	-	Senator English
Timothy Thorne	-	Senator Murdock

Board of Trustees of Northeastern College:

Billy Curl	-	Senator Wallace
Clifton Chitwood	-	Senator Wallace
Michael Jacques	-	Senator Wallace

Board of Trustees of Northwest Arkansas Community College:

Ashley Pointer	-	Senator Dotson

Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and Arkansas School for the Deaf:

Philip Powell	-	Senator Tucker
Phillip Miller	-	Senator Dismang

Director of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General:

Samantha Blassingame	-	Senator Scott

Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission:

Joseph Whitfield	-	Senator Murdock

Old Statehouse Commission:

Rebecca Gosnell	-	Senator Crowell
Suesann Viguet	-	Senator Boyd

Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Human Services:

Janet Mann	-	Senator Tucker

State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors:

Brian Hester	-	Senator Dees
Daniel Storlie	-	Senator Payton
Julie Matthews	-	Senator Sullivan
Matt Muehler	-	Senator McKee
Michael Griffino	-	Senator Dees
Sara Hawkins	-	Senator Payton
Sara Jane Stephens	-	Senator Tucker
Scott McKennon	-	Senator Davis
Wally Loveless	-	Senator Tucker

State Board of Health:

Barbara Darlene Byrd	-	Senator Hill
Dr. James Zini	-	Senator Irvin
Dr. Laura Moore	-	Senator Tucker
Dr. Richard Keith Davis	-	Senator Stone
Dr. Tina Ipe	-	Senator Scott

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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August 15, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Amanda Dawson of Pulaski County as a member Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Detri Brech of Clark County as a member Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for a term to expire on the 14th of January, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jeff Odom of Washington County as a member Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of John Newcomb of Mississippi County as a member Arkansas Economic Development Council for a term to expire on January 14, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Edwin Spaeth of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
(SIGNED) Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Hal Hunnicutt of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
(SIGNED) Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of James Madison White IV of Pope County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Melody Bozza of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ricky Davis of Union County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jamie Anderson of Lonoke County as a member of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Ricky Hill

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Sarah Bone of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas State Medical Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Hannah King of Craighead County as a member of the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee for a term to expire on March 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Harmon of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee for a term to expire on March 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dianna Lankford of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Martha Cothren of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Bradford Hegeman of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Monte Mills of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Aaron Chastain of Logan County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Barry Sellers of Pope County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Teri Cox-Meadows of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Timonthy Thorne of Crittenden County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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August 15, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Billy Curl of Mississippi County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College for a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Clifton Chitwood of Mississippi County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Jacques of Mississippi County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College for a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ashley Pointer of Benton County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northwest Arkansas Community College for a term to expire on January 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Philip Powell of Pulaski County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf for a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Phillip Miller of White County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf for a term to expire on January 14, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Samantha Blassingame of Pulaski County as the Director of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General to serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Joseph Whitfield of Phillips County to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rebecca Gosnell of Columbia County to the Old Statehouse Commission for a term to expire on March 19, 2033.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Suesann Viguet of Sebastian County to the Old Statehouse Commission for a term to expire on March 19, 2034.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Janet Mann of Pulaski County as the Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Human Services to serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brian Hester of Washington County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Daniel Storlie of Independence County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Julie Matthews of Craighead County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Matt Muehler of Garland County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Griffino of Washington County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sara Hawkins of Lawrence County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sara Jane Stephens of Pulaski County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott McKennon of Conway County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Wally Loveless of Pulaski County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Barbara Darlene Byrd of Lonoke County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Ricky Hill

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. James Zini of Stone County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Laura Moore of Pulaski County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Richard Keith Davis of Union County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Tina Ipe of Pulaski County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Amanda Dawson, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Amanda Dawson will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Amanda Dawson by vote of the full Senate.

Amanda Dawson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Detri Brech, of Clark County, to the Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Amanda Dawson will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Detri Brech by vote of the full Senate.

Detri Brech stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

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Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jeff Odom, of Washington County, to the Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jess Odom will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jeff Odom by vote of the full Senate.

Jeff Odom stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

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May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate John Newcomb, of Mississippi County, to the Arkansas Economic Development Council. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, John Newcomb will serve a term to expire January 14, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of John Newcomb by vote of the full Senate.

John Newcomb stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Edwin Spaeth, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Edwin Spaeth will serve a term to expire September 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Edwin Spaeth by vote of the full Senate.

Edwin Spaeth stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Hal Hunnicutt, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Hall Hunnicut will serve a term to expire September 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Hall Hunnicutt by vote of the full Senate.

Hall Hunnicutt stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate James Madison White IV, of Pope County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, James Madison White IV will serve a term to expire September 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of James Madison White IV by vote of the full Senate.

James Madison White IV stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Melody Bozza, of Saline County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Melody Bozza will serve a term to expire September 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Melody Bozza by vote of the full Senate.

Melody Bozza stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Ricky Davis, of Union County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Ricky Davis will serve a term to expire September 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Ricky Davis by vote of the full Senate.

Ricky Davis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

July 9, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jamie Anderson, of Lonoke County, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jamie Anderson will serve a term to expire July 1, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jamie Anderson by vote of the full Senate.

Jamie Anderson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ricky Hill

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Sarah Bone, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas State Medical Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Jamie Bone will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Sarah Bone by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Sarah Bone stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Hannah King, of Craighead County, to the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Hannah King will serve a term to expire March 1, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Hannah King by vote of the full Senate.

Hannah King stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott Harmon, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott Harmon will serve a term to expire March 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott Harmon by vote of the full Senate.

Scott Harmon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dianna Lankford, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dianna Lankford will serve a term to expire October 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dianna Lankford by vote of the full Senate.

Dianna Lankford stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Martha Cothren, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Martha Cothren will serve a term to expire October 15, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Martha Cothren by vote of the full Senate.

Martha Cothren stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Bradford Hegeman, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Bradford Hegeman will serve a term to expire October 15, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Bradford Hegeman by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Bradford Hegeman stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Monte Mills, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Monte Mills will serve a term to expire October 15, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Monte Mills by vote of the full Senate.

Monte Mills stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Aaron Chastain, of Logan County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Aaron Chastain will serve a term to expire May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Aaron Chastain by vote of the full Senate.

Aaron Chastain stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Gary Stubblefield

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Barry Sellers, of Pope County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Barry Sellers will serve a term to expire May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Barry Sellers by vote of the full Senate.

Barry Sellers stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Teri Cox-Meadows, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Teri Cox-Meadows will serve a term to expire May 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Teri Cox-Meadows by vote of the full Senate.

Teri Cox-Meadows stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Timothy Thorne, of Crittenden County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Timothy Thorne will serve a term to expire May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Timothy Thorne by vote of the full Senate.

Timothy Thorne stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Billy Curl, of Mississippi County, to the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Billy Curl will serve a term to expire December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Billy Curl by vote of the full Senate.

Billy Curl stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Clifton Chitwood, of Mississippi County, to the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Clifton Chitwood will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Clifton Chitwood by vote of the full Senate.

Clifton Chitwood stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Jacques, of Mississippi County, to the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Jacques will serve a term to expire December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Jacques by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Jacques stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Ashley Pointer, of Benton County, to the Board of Trustees of Northwest Arkansas Community College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Ashley Pointer will serve a term to expire January 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Ashley Pointer by vote of the full Senate.

Ashley Pointer stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Philip Powell, of Pulaski County, to the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Philip Powell will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Philip Powell by vote of the full Senate.

Philip Powell stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Phillip Miller, of White County, to the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Phillip Miller will serve a term to expire January 14, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Phillip Miller by vote of the full Senate.

Phillip Miller stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

June 11, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Samantha Blassingame, of Pulaski County, as the Director of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Samantha Blassingame will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Samantha Blassingame by vote of the full Senate.

Samantha Blalssingame stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Joseph Whitfield, of Phillips County, to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Joseph Whitfield will serve a term to expire September 1, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Joseph Whitfield by vote of the full Senate.

Joseph Whitfield stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginal Murdock

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Rebecca Gosnell, of Columbia County, to the Old Statehouse Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rebecca Gosnell will serve a term to expire on March 19, 2033.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rebecca Gosnell by vote of the full Senate.

Rebecca Gosnell stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Suesann Viguet, of Sebastian County, to the Old Statehouse Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Suseann Viquet will serve a term to expire on March 19, 2034.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Suesann Viguet by vote of the full Senate.

Suesann Viguet stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

July 26, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Janet Mann, of Pulaski County, as the Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Human Services. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Janet Mann will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Janet Mann by vote of the full Senate.

Janet Mann stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brian Hester, of Washington County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brian Hester will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brian Hester by vote of the full Senate.

Brian Hester stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Daniel Storlie, of Independence County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Daniel Storlie will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Daniel Storlie by vote of the full Senate.

Daniel Storlie stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Julie Matthews, of Craighead County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Julie Matthews will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2087.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Julie Matthews by vote of the full Senate.

Julie Matthews stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Matt Muehler, of Garland County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Matt Muehler will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Matt Muehler by vote of the full Senate.

Matt Muehler stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Griffino, of Washington County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Griffino will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Griffino by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Griffino stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sara Hawkins, of Lawrence County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sara Hawkins will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sara Hawkins by vote of the full Senate.

Sara Hawkins stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sara Jane Stephens, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sara Jane Stephens will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sara Jane Stephens by vote of the full Senate.

Sara Jane Stephens stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott McKennon, of Conway County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott McKennon will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott McKennon by vote of the full Senate.

Scott McKennon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Wally Loveless, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Wally Loveless will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Wally Loveless by vote of the full Senate.

Wally Loveless stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Barbara Darlene Byrd, of Lonoke County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Barbara Darlene Boyd will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Barbara Darlene Byrd by vote of the full Senate.

Barbara Darlene Byrd stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ricky Hill

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. James Zini, of Stone County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. James Zini will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. James Zini by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. James Zini stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Laura Moore, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Laura Moore will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Laura Moore by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Laura Moore stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Richard Keith Davis, of Union County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Richard Keith Davis will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Richard Keith Davis by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Richard Keith Davis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Tina Ipe, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Tina Ipe will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Tina Ipe by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Tina Ipe stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

ADDENDUM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2025
SENATE BUSINESS MEETING
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Senate Business meeting was called to order at 10:27 a.m.

Senator Bart Hester was in the chair.

Senator Breanne Davis was recognized and requested leave for the following Senators:

Senators Boyd, Clark, Crowell, English, Murdock, Penzo, Petty, Tucker, and Wallace.

Leave was granted.

Senator Hester asked the body and guests to please stand and join him in a moment of silence in honor of the life and legacy of their colleague, Senator Gary Stubblefield.

Today is the first time the Senate has reconvened since his passing on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BRYANT, CALDWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, JOHNSON, B., JOHNSON, M., MCKEE, PAYTON, RICE, STONE, SULLIVAN.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on September 26, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised the names on the September 26, 2025 Floor List were approved by the Committee and recommended to the Senate for confirmation in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch.

There were no requests for a separate vote on any of the appointments.

Senator Davis moved for the Senate to confirm the batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The names on the September 26, 2025 Floor List of appointments were confirmed in a batch.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS – SEPTEMBER 26, 2025:

(FLOOR LIST)

Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks:

Chris Howell	-	Senator Dismang
Elliot Blackmon	-	Senator Rice
John Mark Goings	-	Senator Tucker
Sara Gallien	-	Senator Penzo
Scott Skelton	-	Senator Dismang

Alcoholic Beverage Control Board:

Stacy DeJarnette	-	Senator Flowers

Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling:

Casey Hall	-	Senator Hammer
Deborah Braboy	-	Senator Boyd
Garrick Conner	-	Senator English

Arkansas Educational Television Commission:

Charlene Fite	-	Senator Petty

Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission:

Dennis Nelms	-	Senator Leding
JD Neeley	-	Senator Stone
Landon Downing	-	Senator Payton

Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board:

Anna Cook	-	Senator English
Rachel Howard	-	Senator English
Stephen Haile	-	Senator Irvin

Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission:

Daniel Sims	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners:

Brandon Kitchens	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board:

Brad Bohannan	-	Senator Hammer
Clay Sanders	-	Senator English
Glynn Riels	-	Senator Gilmore
Joseph Spadoni	-	Senator Gilmore
Matthew Ross	-	Senator Irvin
Sheriff Pete Roberts	-	Senator Gilmore
Toby Harrington	-	Senator Irvin
Tom Brown	-	Senator Scott

Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Committee:

Haley Davis	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Capitol Zoning Commission:

David Robinson	-	Senator Scott
Rachel Bunch	-	Senator Tucker
Riley Hays	-	Senator Tucker

Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission:

Jason Ramsey	-	Senator Davis

State Board of Education:

Aaron Abbott	-	Senator Penzo
David Peacock	-	Senator Sullivan

State Judge Advocate for the Arkansas National Guard:

Lt. Col. Natalie Brown	-	Senator English

State Library Board:

Annette Bailey	-	Senator Flippo
Clay Goff	-	Senator Dismang
Emmaline Pilkington	-	Senator Stubblefield
Jack Fortner	-	Senator Flippo
Lynlee McMillan	-	Senator Hammer
Sydney McKenzie	-	Senator Bryant

State Review Committee for Historic Preservation:

Jane Wilkerson	-	Senator Tucker
Kristina Boykin	-	Senator Hammer

Workers' Compensation Commission:

Scott Willhite	-	Senator Tucker

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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September 26, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Chris Howell of White County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Elliot Blackmon of Montgomery County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of John Mark Goings of Pulaski County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sara Gallien of Washington County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Skelton of Cleburne County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Stacy DeJarnette of Jefferson County as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Stephanie Flowers

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Casey Hall of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Deborah Braboy of Sebastian County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Garrick Conner of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Charlene Fite of Crawford County as a member of the Arkansas Educational Television Commission for a term to expire on March 23, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Petty

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dennis Nelms of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of JD Neeley of Ouachita County as a member of the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Landon Downing of Independence County as a member of the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2034.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Anna Cook of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rachel Howard of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Stephen Haile of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Daniel Sims of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2035.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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September 26, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brandon Kitchens of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners for a term to expire on September 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brad Bohannan of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Clay Sanders of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Glynn Alan Riels of Ashley County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Joseph Spadoni of Jefferson County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Matthew Ross of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sheriff Pete Roberts of Grant County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Toby Harrington of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Tom Brown of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Haley Davis of Pulaski County as a member of the Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program for a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of David Robinson of Pulaski County as a member of the Capitol Zoning Commission for a term to expire on May 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rachel Bunch of Pulaski County as a member of the Capitol Zoning Commission for a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Riley Hays of Pulaski County as a member of the Capitol Zoning Commission for a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Aaron Abbott of Washington County as a member of the State Board of Education for a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of David Peacock of Craighead County as a member of the State Board of Education for a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Annette Bailey of Baxter County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Clay Goff of White County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Emmaline Pilkington of Johnson County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jack Fortner of Marion County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Lynlee McMillan of Saline County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sydney McKenzie of Benton County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Joshua Bryant

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Lt. Col. Natalie Brown of Pulaski County as the State Judge Advocate for the Arkansas National Guard. Upon confirmation, Lt. Col. Brown will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kristina Boykin of Saline County as a member of the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation for a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jane Wilkerson of Pulaski County as a member of the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation for a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Willhite of Pulaski County as a member of the Workers' Compensation Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Chris Howell, of White County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Chris Howell will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Chris Howell by vote of the full Senate.

Chris Howell stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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Governor

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Elliot Blackmon of Montgomery County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Elliot Blackmon will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Elliot Blackmon by vote of the full Senate.

Elliot Blackmon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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The Honorable Bart Hester
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate John Mark Goings of Pulaski County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, John Mark Goings will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of John Mark Goings by vote of the full Senate.

John Mark Goings stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sara Gallien of Washington County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sara Gallien will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sara Gallien by vote of the full Senate.

Sara Gallien stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
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cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott Skelton of Cleburne County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott Skelton will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott Skelton by vote of the full Senate.

Scott Skelton stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Stacy DeJarnette of Jefferson County, to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Stacy DeJarnette will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Stacy DeJarnette by vote of the full Senate.

Stacy DeJarnette stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Stephanie Flowers

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Casey Hall of Saline County, to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Casey Hall will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Casey Hall by vote of the full Senate.

Casey Hall stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Deborah Brayboy of Sebastian County, to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Deborah Brayboy will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Deborah Brayboy by vote of the full Senate.

Deborah Brayboy stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Garrick Conner of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Garrick Conner will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Garrick Conner by vote of the full Senate.

Garrick Conner stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 15, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Charlene Fite of Crawford County, to the Arkansas Educational Television Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Charlene Fite will serve a term to expire on March 23, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Charlene Fite by vote of the full Senate.

Charlene Fite stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Petty

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dennis Nelms of Washington County, to the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dennis Nelms will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dennis Nelms by vote of the full Senate.

Dennis Nelms stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate JD Neeley of Ouachita County, to the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, JD Neeley will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of JD Neeley by vote of the full Senate.

JD Neeley stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Landon Downing of Independence County, to the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Landon Downing will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2034.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Landon Downing by vote of the full Senate.

Landon Downing stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Anna Cook of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Anna Cook will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Anna Cook by vote of the full Senate.

Anna Cook stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Rachel Howard of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rachel Howard will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rachel Howard by vote of the full Senate.

Rachel Howard stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Stephen Haile of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Stephen Haile will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Stephen Haile by vote of the full Senate.

Stephen Haile stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Daniel Sims of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Daniel Sims will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2035.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Daniel Sims by vote of the full Senate.

Daniel Sims stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brandon Kitchens of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brandon Kitchens will serve a term to expire on September 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brandon Kitchens by vote of the full Senate.

Brandon Kitchens stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brad Bohannan of Saline County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brad Bohannan will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brad Bohannan by vote of the full Senate.

Brad Bohannan stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Clay Sanders of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Clay Sanders will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Clay Sanders by vote of the full Senate.

Clay Sanders stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Glynn Alan Riels of Ashley County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Glynn Alan Riels will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Glynn Alan Riels by vote of the full Senate.

Glynn Alan Riels stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Joseph Spadoni of Jefferson County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Joseph Spadoni will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Joseph Spadoni by vote of the full Senate.

Joseph Spadoni stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Matthew Ross of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Matthew Ross will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Matthew Ross by vote of the full Senate.

Matthew Ross stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sheriff Pete Roberts of Grant County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sheriff Pete Roberts will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sheriff Pete Roberts by vote of the full Senate.

Sheriff Pete Roberts stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Toby Harrington of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Toby Harrington will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Toby Harrington by vote of the full Senate.

Toby Harrington stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Tom Brown of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Tom Brown will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Tom Brown by vote of the full Senate.

Tom Brown stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jaime Scott

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Haley Davis of Pulaski County, to the Baby Sharon's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Haley Davis will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Haley Davis by vote of the full Senate.

Haley Davis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate David Robinson of Pulaski County, to the Capitol Zoning Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, David Robinson will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of David Robinson by vote of the full Senate.

David Robinson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jaime Scott

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Rachel Bunch of Pulaski County, to the Capitol Zoning Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rachel Bunch will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rachel Bunch by vote of the full Senate.

Rachel Bunch stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Riley Hays of Pulaski County, to the Capitol Zoning Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Riley Hays will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Riley Hays by vote of the full Senate.

Riley Hays stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Aaron Abbott of Washington County, to the State Board of Education. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Aaron Abbott will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Aaron Abbott by vote of the full Senate.

Aaron Abbott stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 11, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate David Peacock of Craighead County, to the State Board of Education. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, David Peacock will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of David Peacock by vote of the full Senate.

David Peacock stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Annette Bailey of Baxter County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Annette Bailey will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Annette Bailey by vote of the full Senate.

Annette Bailey stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Clay Goff of White County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Clay Goff will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Clay Goff by vote of the full Senate.

Clay Goff stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Emmaline Pilkington of Johnson County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Emmaline Pilkington will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Emmaline Pilkington by vote of the full Senate.

Emmaline Pilkington stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jack Fortner of Marion County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jack Fortner will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jack Fortner by vote of the full Senate.

Jack Fortner stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Lynlee McMillan of Saline County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Lynlee McMillan will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Lynlee McMillan by vote of the full Senate.

Lynlee McMillan stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sydney McKenzie of Benton County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sydney McKenzie will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sydney McKenzie by vote of the full Senate.

Sydney McKenzie stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Joshua Bryant

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 18, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Lt. Col. Natalie Brown of Pulaski County, to serve as the Judge Advocate for the Arkansas National Guard. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Lt. Col. Natilie Brown will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Lt. Col. Natalie Brown by vote of the full Senate.

Lt. Col. Natalie Brown stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Kristina Boykin of Saline County, to the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kristina Boykin will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kristina Boykin by vote of the full Senate.

Kristina Boykin stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jane Wilkerson of Pulaski County, to the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jane Wilkerson will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jane Wilkerson by vote of the full Senate.

Jane Wilkerson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott Willhite of Pulaski County, to the Worker's Compensation Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott Willhite will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott Willhite by vote of the full Senate.

Scott Willhite stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Ms. Ann Cornwell
Director, Arkansas Senate
Secretary of the Senate
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

This letter serves as written notification that I was out of the chamber when Senate Bill No. 3 and Senate Bill No. 246 were brought up for third reading and final passage. I would like the record to reflect that I would have voted yes on both bills. Please file this letter in the official Senate Journal of the Regular Session 95th General Assembly.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) Bryan King
State Senator
District 28

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ADDENDUM

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2025

SENATE BUSINESS MEETING

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Senate Business meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m.

Senator Hester was in the chair.

Senator Davis was recognized and requested leave for the following Senators:

Senators Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, Hickey, King, Murdock, Penzo, Stone, and Tucker.

Leave was granted.

The Secretary called the roll.

The following members answered the roll:

BOYD, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, PAYTON, , PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, WALLACE.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on Friday, December 19, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised that the names on the December 19, 2025 Floor List were approved by the Committee and recommended to the Senate for confirmation in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch.

There were no requests for a separate vote on any of the appointments.

Senator Davis moved for the Senate to confirm the batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The names on the December 19, 2025 Floor List of appointments were confirmed in a batch.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS – DECEMBER 19, 2025:

(FLOOR LIST)

2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee:

Dr. Jim Lagrone	-	Senator McKee
Larry Clark	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Marco McClendon	-	Senator Murdock
Martin Rawls	-	Senator Murdock
Micah Warbington	-	Senator English
Nicholas Ortiz	-	Senator Hammer
Randy Zook	-	Senator Tucker
Shelby Johnson	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas 2036 Commission:

Dalaney Lewis	-	Senator Tucker
Jenny Brooks	-	Senator Hammer

Arkansas Child Abuse / Rape / Domestic Violence Commission:

Courtney Hodges	-	Senator Irvin
Courtney Leach	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Cristy Sellers	-	Senator Hammer
Kalika Rogers	-	Senator Hammer
Tiffany Wright	-	Senator Love
Will Jones	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas Ethics Commission:

Stephen Brannon	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas Fair Housing Commission:

Amanda Eaton	-	Senator Sullivan
Karen Crowson	-	Senator McKee
Rob Stanley	-	Senator Penzo

Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board:

Bo Higginbotham	-	Senator Gilmore
Brad Hardin	-	Senator Leding
Bradly Moore	-	Senator Murdock
Brian Dunavan	-	Senator Dismang
Keith Hillman	-	Senator Irvin
Mark McCollum	-	Senator Payton
Michael Cossey	-	Senator Scott
Scott Baltz	-	Senator Blake Johnson
Shane Wood	-	Senator Petty
Travis Dover	-	Senator Dotson

Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System Board:

Seth Smith	-	Senator Rice

Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission:

Charlie Spakes	-	Senator Hester
Thomas McWilliams	-	Senator Crowell

Arkansas Psychology Board:

Aaron Holwick	-	Senator Rice
Ferguson Stewart	-	Senator King
Peggy Pack	-	Senator English

Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners:

Dr. Michael Courtney	-	Senator Clark

Arkansas Tobacco Control Board:

David Hendrix	-	Senator Hammer
Kerry Lott	-	Senator Rice

Arkansas Veterans' Commission:

Gregory Brown	-	Senator Wallace
Len Cotton	-	Senator Rice
Michael Hegeman	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Taylor Marsh	-	Senator Tucker
Tom Thomas	-	Senator Dismang

Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Committee:

Kelley Dunlap	-	Senator Tucker

Commissioner of the State Insurance Department:

Jimmy Harris	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Health Services Permit Commission:

Greg Wood	-	Senator Flippo
Jamie Ewing	-	Senator Stone
John Montgomery	-	Senator English

Justice System Fee Task Force:

Daniel Shue	-	Senator Boyd
Gregg Parrish	-	Senator Rice

State Athletic Commission:

Bobby Edmonds	-	Senator McKee
Monte Mills	-	Senator Dotson
Ryan Stephens	-	Senator Mark Johnson

State Board of Public Accountancy:

Christina Ellis	-	Senator Clark
Kasper Huber	-	Senator Penzo
Shane Warrick	-	Senator Crowell
Taylor Stockemer	-	Senator Tucker

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Jim Lagrone of Garland County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McGee

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Larry Clark of Pulaski County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Marco McClendon of Crittenden County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Martin Rawls of Phillips County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Micah Warbington of Pulaski County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Nicholas Ortiz of Pulaski County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Randy Zook of Pulaski County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Shelby Johnson of Pulaski County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dalaney Thomas Lewis of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas 2036 Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2036.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jenny Brooks of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas 2036 Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2036.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Courtney Hodges of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Courtney Leach of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Cristy Sellers of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kalika Rogers of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Tiffany Wright of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Will Jones of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Stephen Brannon of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Ethics Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Amanda Eaton of Craighead County as a member of the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Karen Crowson of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rob Stanley of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Bo Higginbotham of Ashley County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brad Hardin of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Bradly Moore of Crittenden County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brian Dunavan of White County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Keith Hillman of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Mark McCollum of Independence County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Cossey of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Baltz of Randolph County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Blake Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Shane Wood of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Travis Dover of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Seth Smith of Polk County as a member of the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Charlie Spakes of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission for a term to expire on March 29, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Thomas McWilliams of Columbia County as a member of the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission for a term to expire on March 29, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Aaron Holwick of Sebastian County as a member of the Arkansas Psychology Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ferguson Stewart of Carroll County as a member of the Arkansas Psychology Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Peggy Pack of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Psychology Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Michael Courtney of Garland County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for a term to expire on June 9, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of David Hendrix of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kerry Lott of Yell County as a member of the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Gregory Brown of Mississippi County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Len Cotton of Yell County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Hegeman of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Taylor Marsh of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Tom Thomas of White County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kelley Dunlap of Pulaski County as a member of the Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program for a term to expire on May 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jimmy Harris of Faulkner County as Commissioner of the State Insurance Department to serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Greg Wood of Baxter County as a member of the Health Services Permit Commission for a term to expire on April 9, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jamie Ewing of Grant County as a member of the Health Services Permit Commission for a term to expire on April 9, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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State Capitol Building, Room 320
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December 19, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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State Capitol Building
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of John Montgomery of Pulaski County as a member of the Health Services Permit Commission for a term to expire on April 9, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Daniel Shue of Sebastian County as a member of the Justice System Fee Task Force for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Gregg Parrish of Perry County as a member of the Justice System Fee Task Force for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Bobby Edmonds of Garland County as a member of the State Athletic Commission for a term to expire on August 24, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Monte Mills of Benton County as a member of the State Athletic Commission for a term to expire on August 24, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ryan Stephens of Faulkner County as a member of the State Athletic Commission for a term to expire on August 24, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Christina Ellis of Garland County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

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The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kasper Huber of Washington County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Shane Warrick of Columbia County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Taylor Stockemer of Pulaski County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Jim Lagrone, of Garland County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Jim Lagrone will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Jim Lagrone by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Jim Lagrone stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Larry Clark, of Pulaski County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Larry Clark will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Larry Clark by vote of the full Senate.

Larry Clark stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Marco McClendon, of Crittenden County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Marco McClendon will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Marco McClendon by vote of the full Senate.

Marco McClendon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Martin Rawls, of Phillips County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Martin Rawls will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Martin Rawls by vote of the full Senate.

Martin Rawls stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Micah Warbington, of Pulaski County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Micah Warbington will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Micah Warbington by vote of the full Senate.

Micah Warbington stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Nicholas Ortiz, of Pulaski County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Nicholas Ortiz will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Nicholas Ortiz by vote of the full Senate.

Nicholas Ortiz stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Randy Zook, of Pulaski County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Randy Zook will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Randy Zook by vote of the full Senate.

Randy Zook stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Shelby Johnson, of Pulaski County, to the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Shelby Johnson will serve a term to expire September 30, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Shelby Johnson by vote of the full Senate.

Shelby Johnson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dalaney Thomas Lewis, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas 2036 Commission . If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dalaney Thomas Lewis will serve a term to expire September 31, 2036.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dalaney Thomas Lewis by vote of the full Senate.

Dalaney Thomas Lewis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jenny Brooks, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas 2036 Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jenny Brooks will serve a term to expire December 31, 2036.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jenny Brooks by vote of the full Senate.

Jenny Brooks stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Courtney Hodges, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Child Abuse/Rape/Domestic Violence Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Courtney Hodges will serve a term to expire July 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Courtney Hodges by vote of the full Senate.

Courtney Hodges stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

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Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Courtney Leach, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Child Abuse/Rape/Domestic Violence Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Courtney Leach will serve a term to expire July 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Courtney Leach by vote of the full Senate.

Courtney Leach stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Cristy Sellers, of Saline County, to the Arkansas Child Abuse/Rape/Domestic Violence Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Cristy Sellers will serve a term to expire July 1, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Christy Sellers by vote of the full Senate.

Christy Sellers stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Kalika Rogers, of Saline County, to the Arkansas Child Abuse/Rape/Domestic Violence Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kalika Rogers will serve a term to expire July 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kalika Rogers by vote of the full Senate.

Kalika Rogers stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Tiffany Wright, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Child Abuse/Rape/Domestic Violence Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Tiffany Wright will serve a term to expire July 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Tiffany Wright by vote of the full Senate.

Tiffany Wright stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Frederick J. Love

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Will Jones, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Child Abuse/Rape/Domestic Violence Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Will Jones will serve a term to expire July 1, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Will Jones by vote of the full Senate.

Will Jones stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 29, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Stephen Brannon, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Ethics Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Stephen Brannon will serve a term to expire December 31, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Stephen Brannon by vote of the full Senate.

Stephen Brannon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Amanda Eaton, of Craighead County, to the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Amanda Eaton will serve a term to expire December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Amanda Eaton by vote of the full Senate.

Amanda Eaton stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Karen Crowson, of Saline County, to the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Karen Crowson will serve a term to expire December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Karen Crowson by vote of the full Senate.

Karen Crowson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Rob Stanley, of Washington County, to the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rob Stanley will serve a term to expire December 31, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rob Stanley by vote of the full Senate.

Rob Stanley stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Bo Higginbotham, of Ashley County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Bo Higginbotham will serve a term to expire October 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Bo Higginbotham by vote of the full Senate.

Bo Higginbotham stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brad Hardin, of Washington County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brad Hardin will serve a term to expire October 14, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brad Hardin by vote of the full Senate.

Brad Hardin stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Bradly Moore, of Crittenden County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Bradly Moore will serve a term to expire October 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Bradly Moore by vote of the full Senate.

Bradly Moore stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brian Dunavan, of White County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brian Dunavan will serve a term to expire October 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brian Dunavan by vote of the full Senate.

Brian Dunavan stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Keith Hillman, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Keith Hillman will serve a term to expire October 14, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Keith Hillman by vote of the full Senate.

Keith Hillman stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Mark McCollum, of Independence County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Mark McCollum will serve a term to expire October 14, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Mark McCollum by vote of the full Senate.

Mark McCollum stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Cossey, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Cossey will serve a term to expire October 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Cossey by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Cossey stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott Baltz, of Randolph County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott Baltz will serve a term to expire October 14, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott Baltz by vote of the full Senate.

Scott Baltz stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Blake Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Shane Wood, of Washington County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Shane Wood will serve a term to expire October 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Shane Wood by vote of the full Senate.

Shane Wood stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Petty

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Travis Dover, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Travis Dover will serve a term to expire October 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Travis Dover by vote of the full Senate.

Travis Dover stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Seth Smith, of Polk County, to the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Seth Smith will serve a term to expire December 31, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Seth Smith by vote of the full Senate.

Seth Smith stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Charlie Spakes, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Charlie Spakes will serve a term to expire March 29, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Charlie Spakes by vote of the full Senate.

Charlie Spakes stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Bart Hester

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Thomas McWilliams, of Columbia County, to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Thomas McWilliams will serve a term to expire March 29, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Thomas McWilliams by vote of the full Senate.

Thomas McWilliams stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 25, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Aaron Holwick, of Sebastian County, to the Arkansas Psychology Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Aaron Holwick will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Aaron Holwick by vote of the full Senate.

Aaron Holwick stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 25, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Ferguson Stewart, of Carroll County, to the Arkansas Psychology Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Ferguson Stewart will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Ferguson Stewart by vote of the full Senate.

Ferguson Stewart stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Bryan King

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 30, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Peggy Pack, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Psychology Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Peggy Pack will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Peggy Pack by vote of the full Senate.

Peggy Pack stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Michael Courtney, of Garland County, to the Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Michael Courtney will serve a term to expire June 9, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Michael Courtney by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Courtney stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate David Hendrix, of Saline County, to the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, David Hendrix will serve a term to expire July 1, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of David Hendrix by vote of the full Senate.

David Hendrix stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Kerry Lott, of Yell County, to the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kerry Lott will serve a term to expire July 1, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kerry Lott by vote of the full Senate.

Kerry Lott stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 30, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Gregory Brown, of Mississippi County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Gregory Brown will serve a term to expire October 15, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Gregory Brown by vote of the full Senate.

Gregory Brown stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 30, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Len Cotton, of Yell County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Len Cotton will serve a term to expire October 15, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Len Cotton by vote of the full Senate.

Len Cotton stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 30, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Bradford Hegeman, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Bradford Hegeman will serve a term to expire October 15, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Bradford Hegeman by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Bradford Hegeman stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Taylor Marsh, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Taylor Marsh will serve a term to expire October 15, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Taylor Marsh by vote of the full Senate.

Taylor Marsh stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Tom Thomas, of White County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Tom Thomas will serve a term to expire October 15, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Tom Thomas by vote of the full Senate.

Tom Thomas stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 26, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Kelley Dunlap, of Pulaski County, to the Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kelley Dunlap will serve a term to expire May 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kelley Dunlap by vote of the full Senate.

Kelley Dunlap stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jimmy Harris, of Faulkner County, as the Commissioner of the State Insurance Department. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jimmy Harris will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jimmy Harris by vote of the full Senate.

Jimmy Harris stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Greg Wood, of Baxter County, to the Health Services Permit Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Greg Wood will serve a term to expire April 9, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Greg Wood by vote of the full Senate.

Greg Wood stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jamie Ewing, of Grant County, to the Health Services Permit Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jamie Ewing will serve a term to expire April 9, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jamie Ewing by vote of the full Senate.

Jamie Ewing stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate John Montgomery, of Pulaski County, to the Health Services Permit Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, John Montgomery will serve a term to expire April 9, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of John Montgomery by vote of the full Senate.

John Montgomery stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Daniel Shue, of Sebastian County, to the Justice System Fee Task Force. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Daniel Shue will serve a term to expire December 31, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Daniel Shue by vote of the full Senate.

Daniel Shue stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Gregg Parrish, of Perry County, to the Justice System Fee Task Force. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Gregg Parrish will serve a term to expire December 31, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Gregg Parrish by vote of the full Senate.

Gregg Parrish stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Bobby Edmonds, of Garland County, to the State Athletic Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Bobby Edmonds will serve a term to expire August 24, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Bobby Edmonds by vote of the full Senate.

Bobby Edmonds stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Monte Mills, of Benton County, to the State Athletic Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Monte Mills will serve a term to expire August 24, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Monte Mills by vote of the full Senate.

Monte Mills stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Ryan Stephens, of Faulkner County, to the State Athletic Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Ryan Stephens will serve a term to expire August 24, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Ryan Stephens by vote of the full Senate.

Ryan Stephens stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Christina Ellis, of Garland County, to the State Board of Public Accountancy. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Christina Ellis will serve a term to expire August 17, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Christina Ellis by vote of the full Senate.

Christina Ellis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Kasper Huber, of Washington County, to the State Board of Public Accountancy. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kasper Huber will serve a term to expire August 17, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kasper Huber by vote of the full Senate.

Kasper Huber stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Shane Warrick, of Columbia County, to the State Board of Public Accountancy. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Shane Warrick will serve a term to expire August 17, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Shane Warrick by vote of the full Senate.

Shane Warrick stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Taylor Stockemer, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Public Accountancy. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Taylor Stockemer will serve a term to expire August 17, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Taylor Stockemer by vote of the full Senate.

Taylor Stockemer stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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ADDENDUM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025
SENATE BUSINESS MEETING
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Senate Business meeting was called to order at 10:42 a.m.

Senator Blake Johnson was in the chair.

Senator Davis was recognized and requested leave for the following Senators:

BOYD, BRYANT, CALDWELL, CROWELL, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HESTER, KING, PENZO, PETTY, STUBBLEFIELD.

Leave was granted.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

CLARK, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, HAMMER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, JOHNSON, B., JOHNSON, M., LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, MURDOCK, PAYTON, RICE, SCOTT, STONE, SULLIVAN, TUCKER, WALLACE.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on Friday, August 15, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised the names on the August 15, 2025 Floor List were approved by the Committee and recommended to the Senate for confirmation in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch.

There were no requests for a separate vote on any of the appointments.

Senator Davis moved for the Senate to confirm the batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The names on the August 15, 2025 Floor List of appointments were confirmed in a batch.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS – AUGUST 15, 2025:

(FLOOR LIST)

Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board:

Amanda Dawson	-	Senator English
Detri Brech	-	Senator Crowell
Jeff Odom	-	Senator Dees

Arkansas Economic Development Council:

John Newcomb	-	Senator Wallace

Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission:

Edwin Spaeth	-	Senator Irvin
Hal Hunnicutt	-	Senator Mark Johnson
James Madison White IV	-	Senator Davis
Melody Bozza	-	Senator Clark
Ricky Davis	-	Senator Stone

Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission:

Jamie Anderson	-	Senator Hill

Arkansas State Medical Board:

Dr. Sarah Bone	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee:

Hannah King	-	Senator Sullivan
Scott Harmon	-	Senator Irvin

Arkansas Veterans' Commission:

Dianna Lankford	-	Senator Dotson
Martha Cothren	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Michael Bradford Hegeman	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Monte Mills	-	Senator Dotson

Arkansas Workforce Development Board:

Aaron Chastain	-	Senator Stubblefield
Barry Sellers	-	Senator Davis
Teri Cox-Meadows	-	Senator English
Timothy Thorne	-	Senator Murdock

Board of Trustees of Northeastern College:

Billy Curl	-	Senator Wallace
Clifton Chitwood	-	Senator Wallace
Michael Jacques	-	Senator Wallace

Board of Trustees of Northwest Arkansas Community College:

Ashley Pointer	-	Senator Dotson

Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and Arkansas School for the Deaf:

Philip Powell	-	Senator Tucker
Phillip Miller	-	Senator Dismang

Director of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General:

Samantha Blassingame	-	Senator Scott

Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission:

Joseph Whitfield	-	Senator Murdock

Old Statehouse Commission:

Rebecca Gosnell	-	Senator Crowell
Suesann Viguet	-	Senator Boyd

Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Human Services:

Janet Mann	-	Senator Tucker

State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors:

Brian Hester	-	Senator Dees
Daniel Storlie	-	Senator Payton
Julie Matthews	-	Senator Sullivan
Matt Muehler	-	Senator McKee
Michael Griffino	-	Senator Dees
Sara Hawkins	-	Senator Payton

Sara Jane Stephens	-	Senator Tucker
Scott McKennon	-	Senator Davis
Wally Loveless	-	Senator Tucker

State Board of Health:

Barbara Darlene Byrd	-	Senator Hill
Dr. James Zini	-	Senator Irvin
Dr. Laura Moore	-	Senator Tucker
Dr. Richard Keith Davis	-	Senator Stone
Dr. Tina Ipe	-	Senator Scott

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August 15, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
Executive Branch
State Capitol Building
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Amanda Dawson of Pulaski County as a member Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Detri Brech of Clark County as a member Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for a term to expire on the 14th of January, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jeff Odom of Washington County as a member Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of John Newcomb of Mississippi County as a member Arkansas Economic Development Council for a term to expire on January 14, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Edwin Spaeth of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cornwell, Director
(SIGNED) Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Hal Hunnicutt of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of James Madison White IV of Pope County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Melody Bozza of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ricky Davis of Union County as a member of the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jamie Anderson of Lonoke County as a member of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Sarah Bone of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas State Medical Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Hannah King of Craighead County as a member of the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee for a term to expire on March 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Harmon of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee for a term to expire on March 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dianna Lankford of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Martha Cothren of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Bradford Hegeman of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Monte Mills of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Aaron Chastain of Logan County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Barry Sellers of Pope County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Teri Cox-Meadows of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Timonthy Thorne of Crittenden County as a member of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Billy Curl of Mississippi County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College for a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Clifton Chitwood of Mississippi County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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August 15, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Jacques of Mississippi County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College for a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ashley Pointer of Benton County as a member of the Board of Trustees of Northwest Arkansas Community College for a term to expire on January 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Philip Powell of Pulaski County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf for a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Phillip Miller of White County as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf for a term to expire on January 14, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Samantha Blassingame of Pulaski County as the Director of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General to serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Joseph Whitfield of Phillips County to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rebecca Gosnell of Columbia County to the Old Statehouse Commission for a term to expire on March 19, 2033.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Suesann Viguet of Sebastian County to the Old Statehouse Commission for a term to expire on March 19, 2034.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Janet Mann of Pulaski County as the Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Human Services to serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brian Hester of Washington County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Daniel Storlie of Independence County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Julie Matthews of Craighead County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Matt Muehler of Garland County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Griffino of Washington County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sara Hawkins of Lawrence County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sara Jane Stephens of Pulaski County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott McKennon of Conway County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Wally Loveless of Pulaski County to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors to expire on April 15, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Barbara Darlene Byrd of Lonoke County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Ricky Hill

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. James Zini of Stone County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Laura Moore of Pulaski County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Richard Keith Davis of Union County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on August 15, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Tina Ipe of Pulaski County to the State Board of Health to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Amanda Dawson, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Amanda Dawson will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Amanda Dawson by vote of the full Senate.

Amanda Dawson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Detri Brech, of Clark County, to the Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Amanda Dawson will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Detri Brech by vote of the full Senate.

Detri Brech stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

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Governor

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jeff Odom, of Washington County, to the Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jess Odom will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jeff Odom by vote of the full Senate.

Jeff Odom stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate John Newcomb, of Mississippi County, to the Arkansas Economic Development Council. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, John Newcomb will serve a term to expire January 14, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of John Newcomb by vote of the full Senate.

John Newcomb stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Edwin Spaeth, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Edwin Spaeth will serve a term to expire September 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Edwin Spaeth by vote of the full Senate.

Edwin Spaeth stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Hal Hunnicutt, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Hall Hunnicut will serve a term to expire September 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Hall Hunnicutt by vote of the full Senate.

Hall Hunnicutt stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate James Madison White IV, of Pope County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, James Madison White IV will serve a term to expire September 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of James Madison White IV by vote of the full Senate.

James Madison White IV stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

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May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Melody Bozza, of Saline County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Melody Bozza will serve a term to expire September 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Melody Bozza by vote of the full Senate.

Melody Bozza stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Alan Clark

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Ricky Davis, of Union County, to the Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Ricky Davis will serve a term to expire September 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Ricky Davis by vote of the full Senate.

Ricky Davis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

July 9, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jamie Anderson, of Lonoke County, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jamie Anderson will serve a term to expire July 1, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jamie Anderson by vote of the full Senate.

Jamie Anderson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ricky Hill

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Sarah Bone, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas State Medical Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Jamie Bone will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Sarah Bone by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Sarah Bone stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Hannah King, of Craighead County, to the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Hannah King will serve a term to expire March 1, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Hannah King by vote of the full Senate.

Hannah King stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott Harmon, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas State Occupational Therapy Examining Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott Harmon will serve a term to expire March 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott Harmon by vote of the full Senate.

Scott Harmon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dianna Lankford, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dianna Lankford will serve a term to expire October 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dianna Lankford by vote of the full Senate.

Dianna Lankford stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Martha Cothren, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Martha Cothren will serve a term to expire October 15, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Martha Cothren by vote of the full Senate.

Martha Cothren stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Bradford Hegeman, of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Bradford Hegeman will serve a term to expire October 15, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Bradford Hegeman by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Bradford Hegeman stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Monte Mills, of Benton County, to the Arkansas Veterans' Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Monte Mills will serve a term to expire October 15, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Monte Mills by vote of the full Senate.

Monte Mills stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Aaron Chastain, of Logan County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Aaron Chastain will serve a term to expire May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Aaron Chastain by vote of the full Senate.

Aaron Chastain stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Gary Stubblefield

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Barry Sellers, of Pope County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Barry Sellers will serve a term to expire May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Barry Sellers by vote of the full Senate.

Barry Sellers stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Teri Cox-Meadows, of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Teri Cox-Meadows will serve a term to expire May 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Teri Cox-Meadows by vote of the full Senate.

Teri Cox-Meadows stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Timothy Thorne, of Crittenden County, to the Arkansas Workforce Development Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Timothy Thorne will serve a term to expire May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Timothy Thorne by vote of the full Senate.

Timothy Thorne stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Billy Curl, of Mississippi County, to the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Billy Curl will serve a term to expire December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Billy Curl by vote of the full Senate.

Billy Curl stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Clifton Chitwood, of Mississippi County, to the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Clifton Chitwood will serve a term to expire December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Clifton Chitwood by vote of the full Senate.

Clifton Chitwood stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Jacques, of Mississippi County, to the Board of Trustees of Northeastern College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Jacques will serve a term to expire December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Jacques by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Jacques stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Ashley Pointer, of Benton County, to the Board of Trustees of Northwest Arkansas Community College. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Ashley Pointer will serve a term to expire January 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Ashley Pointer by vote of the full Senate.

Ashley Pointer stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Dotson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Philip Powell, of Pulaski County, to the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Philip Powell will serve a term to expire January 14, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Philip Powell by vote of the full Senate.

Philip Powell stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Phillip Miller, of White County, to the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas School for the Blind and the Arkansas School for the Deaf. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Phillip Miller will serve a term to expire January 14, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Phillip Miller by vote of the full Senate.

Phillip Miller stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

June 11, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Samantha Blassingame, of Pulaski County, as the Director of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Samantha Blassingame will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Samantha Blassingame by vote of the full Senate.

Samantha Blalssingame stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Joseph Whitfield, of Phillips County, to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Joseph Whitfield will serve a term to expire September 1, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Joseph Whitfield by vote of the full Senate.

Joseph Whitfield stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginal Murdock

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Rebecca Gosnell, of Columbia County, to the Old Statehouse Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rebecca Gosnell will serve a term to expire on March 19, 2033.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rebecca Gosnell by vote of the full Senate.

Rebecca Gosnell stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Steve Crowell

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Suesann Viguet, of Sebastian County, to the Old Statehouse Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Suseann Viquet will serve a term to expire on March 19, 2034.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Suesann Viguet by vote of the full Senate.

Suesann Viguet stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

July 26, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Janet Mann, of Pulaski County, as the Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Human Services. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Janet Mann will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Janet Mann by vote of the full Senate.

Janet Mann stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brian Hester, of Washington County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brian Hester will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brian Hester by vote of the full Senate.

Brian Hester stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Daniel Storlie, of Independence County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Daniel Storlie will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Daniel Storlie by vote of the full Senate.

Daniel Storlie stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Julie Matthews, of Craighead County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Julie Matthews will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2087.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Julie Matthews by vote of the full Senate.

Julie Matthews stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Matt Muehler, of Garland County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Matt Muehler will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Matt Muehler by vote of the full Senate.

Matt Muehler stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt McKee

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Michael Griffino, of Washington County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Michael Griffino will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Michael Griffino by vote of the full Senate.

Michael Griffino stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Tyler Dees

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sara Hawkins, of Lawrence County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sara Hawkins will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sara Hawkins by vote of the full Senate.

Sara Hawkins stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sara Jane Stephens, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sara Jane Stephens will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sara Jane Stephens by vote of the full Senate.

Sara Jane Stephens stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott McKennon, of Conway County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott McKennon will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott McKennon by vote of the full Senate.

Scott McKennon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Breanne Davis

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Wally Loveless, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Appraisers, Abstracters and Home Inspectors. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Wally Loveless will serve a term to expire on April 15, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Wally Loveless by vote of the full Senate.

Wally Loveless stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

May 27, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Barbara Darlene Byrd, of Lonoke County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Barbara Darlene Boyd will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Barbara Darlene Byrd by vote of the full Senate.

Barbara Darlene Byrd stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ricky Hill

STATE OF ARKANSAS

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. James Zini, of Stone County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. James Zini will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. James Zini by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. James Zini stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Laura Moore, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Laura Moore will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Laura Moore by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Laura Moore stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Richard Keith Davis, of Union County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Richard Keith Davis will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Richard Keith Davis by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Richard Keith Davis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dr. Tina Ipe, of Pulaski County, to the State Board of Health. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dr. Tina Ipe will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dr. Tina Ipe by vote of the full Senate.

Dr. Tina Ipe stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
GOVERNOR

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jamie Scott

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

ADDENDUM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2025
SENATE BUSINESS MEETING
95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Senate Business meeting was called to order at 10:27 a.m.

Senator Bart Hester was in the chair.

Senator Breanne Davis was recognized and requested leave for the following Senators:

Senators Boyd, Clark, Crowell, English, Murdock, Penzo, Petty, Tucker, and Wallace.

Leave was granted.

Senator Hester asked the body and guests to please stand and join him in a moment of silence in honor of the life and legacy of their colleague, Senator Gary Stubblefield.

Today is the first time the Senate has reconvened since his passing on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to roll call:

BRYANT, CALDWELL, DAVIS, DEES, DISMANG, DOTSON, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HICKEY, HILL, IRVIN, JOHNSON, B., JOHNSON, M., MCKEE, PAYTON, RICE, STONE, SULLIVAN.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on September 26, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised the names on the September 26, 2025 Floor List were approved by the Committee and recommended to the Senate for confirmation in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch.

There were no requests for a separate vote on any of the appointments.

Senator Davis moved for the Senate to confirm the batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The names on the September 26, 2025 Floor List of appointments were confirmed in a batch.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS – SEPTEMBER 26, 2025:

(FLOOR LIST)

Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks:

Chris Howell	-	Senator Dismang
Elliot Blackmon	-	Senator Rice
John Mark Goings	-	Senator Tucker
Sara Gallien	-	Senator Penzo
Scott Skelton	-	Senator Dismang

Alcoholic Beverage Control Board:

Stacy DeJarnette	-	Senator Flowers

Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling:

Casey Hall	-	Senator Hammer
Deborah Braboy	-	Senator Boyd
Garrick Conner	-	Senator English

Arkansas Educational Television Commission:

Charlene Fite	-	Senator Petty

Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission:

Dennis Nelms	-	Senator Leding
JD Neeley	-	Senator Stone
Landon Downing	-	Senator Payton

Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board:

Anna Cook	-	Senator English
Rachel Howard	-	Senator English
Stephen Haile	-	Senator Irvin

Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission:

Daniel Sims	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners:

Brandon Kitchens	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board:

Brad Bohannan	-	Senator Hammer
Clay Sanders	-	Senator English
Glynn Riels	-	Senator Gilmore
Joseph Spadoni	-	Senator Gilmore
Matthew Ross	-	Senator Irvin
Sheriff Pete Roberts	-	Senator Gilmore
Toby Harrington	-	Senator Irvin
Tom Brown	-	Senator Scott

Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Committee:

Haley Davis	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Capitol Zoning Commission:

David Robinson	-	Senator Scott
Rachel Bunch	-	Senator Tucker
Riley Hays	-	Senator Tucker

Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission:

Jason Ramsey	-	Senator Davis

State Board of Education:

Aaron Abbott	-	Senator Penzo
David Peacock	-	Senator Sullivan

State Judge Advocate for the Arkansas National Guard:

Lt. Col. Natalie Brown	-	Senator English

State Library Board:

Annette Bailey	-	Senator Flippo
Clay Goff	-	Senator Dismang
Emmaline Pilkington	-	Senator Stubblefield
Jack Fortner	-	Senator Flippo
Lynlee McMillan	-	Senator Hammer
Sydney McKenzie	-	Senator Bryant

State Review Committee for Historic Preservation:

Jane Wilkerson	-	Senator Tucker
Kristina Boykin	-	Senator Hammer

Workers' Compensation Commission:

Scott Willhite	-	Senator Tucker

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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September 26, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2026, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Chris Howell of White County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Elliot Blackmon of Montgomery County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of John Mark Goings of Pulaski County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sara Gallien of Washington County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Skelton of Cleburne County as a member of the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks for a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Stacy DeJarnette of Jefferson County as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Casey Hall of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Deborah Braboy of Sebastian County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Garrick Conner of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Charlene Fite of Crawford County as a member of the Arkansas Educational Television Commission for a term to expire on March 23, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Petty

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dennis Nelms of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of JD Neeley of Ouachita County as a member of the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Landon Downing of Independence County as a member of the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2034.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Anna Cook of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rachel Howard of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Stephen Haile of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Daniel Sims of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission for a term to expire on January 14, 2035.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brandon Kitchens of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners for a term to expire on September 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brad Bohannan of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Clay Sanders of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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September 26, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Glynn Alan Riels of Ashley County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Joseph Spadoni of Jefferson County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Matthew Ross of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sheriff Pete Roberts of Grant County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Toby Harrington of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Tom Brown of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Haley Davis of Pulaski County as a member of the Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program for a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of David Robinson of Pulaski County as a member of the Capitol Zoning Commission for a term to expire on May 1, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rachel Bunch of Pulaski County as a member of the Capitol Zoning Commission for a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Riley Hays of Pulaski County as a member of the Capitol Zoning Commission for a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Aaron Abbott of Washington County as a member of the State Board of Education for a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of David Peacock of Craighead County as a member of the State Board of Education for a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Annette Bailey of Baxter County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Clay Goff of White County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Emmaline Pilkington of Johnson County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jack Fortner of Marion County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Lynlee McMillan of Saline County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Sydney McKenzie of Benton County as a member of the State Library Board for a term to expire pursuant to law.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Joshua Bryant

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Lt. Col. Natalie Brown of Pulaski County as the State Judge Advocate for the Arkansas National Guard. Upon confirmation, Lt. Col. Brown will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kristina Boykin of Saline County as a member of the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation for a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jane Wilkerson of Pulaski County as a member of the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation for a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on September 26, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Willhite of Pulaski County as a member of the Workers' Compensation Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
Secretary of the Senate

cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Chris Howell, of White County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Chris Howell will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Chris Howell by vote of the full Senate.

Chris Howell stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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Governor

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Elliot Blackmon of Montgomery County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Elliot Blackmon will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Elliot Blackmon by vote of the full Senate.

Elliot Blackmon stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate John Mark Goings of Pulaski County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, John Mark Goings will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of John Mark Goings by vote of the full Senate.

John Mark Goings stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sara Gallien of Washington County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sara Gallien will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sara Gallien by vote of the full Senate.

Sara Gallien stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott Skelton of Cleburne County, to the Advisory Committee on Petroleum Storage Tanks. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott Skelton will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott Skelton by vote of the full Senate.

Scott Skelton stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

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The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Stacy DeJarnette of Jefferson County, to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Stacy DeJarnette will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Stacy DeJarnette by vote of the full Senate.

Stacy DeJarnette stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Stephanie Flowers

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Casey Hall of Saline County, to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Casey Hall will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Casey Hall by vote of the full Senate.

Casey Hall stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

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President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Deborah Brayboy of Sebastian County, to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Deborah Brayboy will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Deborah Brayboy by vote of the full Senate.

Deborah Brayboy stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Justin Boyd

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Garrick Conner of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Garrick Conner will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Garrick Conner by vote of the full Senate.

Garrick Conner stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 15, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Charlene Fite of Crawford County, to the Arkansas Educational Television Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Charlene Fite will serve a term to expire on March 23, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Charlene Fite by vote of the full Senate.

Charlene Fite stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jim Petty

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Dennis Nelms of Washington County, to the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Dennis Nelms will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Dennis Nelms by vote of the full Senate.

Dennis Nelms stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Greg Leding

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate JD Neeley of Ouachita County, to the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, JD Neeley will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of JD Neeley by vote of the full Senate.

JD Neeley stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Matt Stone

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Landon Downing of Independence County, to the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Landon Downing will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2034.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Landon Downing by vote of the full Senate.

Landon Downing stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator John Payton

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Anna Cook of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Anna Cook will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Anna Cook by vote of the full Senate.

Anna Cook stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Rachel Howard of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rachel Howard will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rachel Howard by vote of the full Senate.

Rachel Howard stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Stephen Haile of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Stephen Haile will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Stephen Haile by vote of the full Senate.

Stephen Haile stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Daniel Sims of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Daniel Sims will serve a term to expire on January 14, 2035.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Daniel Sims by vote of the full Senate.

Daniel Sims stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brandon Kitchens of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brandon Kitchens will serve a term to expire on September 1, 2029.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brandon Kitchens by vote of the full Senate.

Brandon Kitchens stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Brad Bohannan of Saline County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Brad Bohannan will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Brad Bohannan by vote of the full Senate.

Brad Bohannan stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Clay Sanders of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Clay Sanders will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Clay Sanders by vote of the full Senate.

Clay Sanders stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Glynn Alan Riels of Ashley County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Glynn Alan Riels will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Glynn Alan Riels by vote of the full Senate.

Glynn Alan Riels stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Joseph Spadoni of Jefferson County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Joseph Spadoni will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Joseph Spadoni by vote of the full Senate.

Joseph Spadoni stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Matthew Ross of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Matthew Ross will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Matthew Ross by vote of the full Senate.

Matthew Ross stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sheriff Pete Roberts of Grant County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sheriff Pete Roberts will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sheriff Pete Roberts by vote of the full Senate.

Sheriff Pete Roberts stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Toby Harrington of Faulkner County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Toby Harrington will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Toby Harrington by vote of the full Senate.

Toby Harrington stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Missy Irvin

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Tom Brown of Pulaski County, to the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Tom Brown will serve a term to expire on July 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Tom Brown by vote of the full Senate.

Tom Brown stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jaime Scott

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Haley Davis of Pulaski County, to the Baby Sharon's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Committee. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Haley Davis will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2027.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Haley Davis by vote of the full Senate.

Haley Davis stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Mark Johnson

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate David Robinson of Pulaski County, to the Capitol Zoning Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, David Robinson will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of David Robinson by vote of the full Senate.

David Robinson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jaime Scott

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Rachel Bunch of Pulaski County, to the Capitol Zoning Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Rachel Bunch will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Rachel Bunch by vote of the full Senate.

Rachel Bunch stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Riley Hays of Pulaski County, to the Capitol Zoning Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Riley Hays will serve a term to expire on May 1, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Riley Hays by vote of the full Senate.

Riley Hays stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 14, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Aaron Abbott of Washington County, to the State Board of Education. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Aaron Abbott will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Aaron Abbott by vote of the full Senate.

Aaron Abbott stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 11, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate David Peacock of Craighead County, to the State Board of Education. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, David Peacock will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2032.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of David Peacock by vote of the full Senate.

David Peacock stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Dan Sullivan

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Annette Bailey of Baxter County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Annette Bailey will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Annette Bailey by vote of the full Senate.

Annette Bailey stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Clay Goff of White County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Clay Goff will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Clay Goff by vote of the full Senate.

Clay Goff stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jonathan Dismang

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Emmaline Pilkington of Johnson County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Emmaline Pilkington will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Emmaline Pilkington by vote of the full Senate.

Emmaline Pilkington stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jack Fortner of Marion County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jack Fortner will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jack Fortner by vote of the full Senate.

Jack Fortner stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Scott Flippo

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Lynlee McMillan of Saline County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Lynlee McMillan will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Lynlee McMillan by vote of the full Senate.

Lynlee McMillan stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 20, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Sydney McKenzie of Benton County, to the State Library Board. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Sydney McKenzie will serve a term to expire pursuant to law.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Sydney McKenzie by vote of the full Senate.

Sydney McKenzie stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Joshua Bryant

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

August 18, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Lt. Col. Natalie Brown of Pulaski County, to serve as the Judge Advocate for the Arkansas National Guard. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Lt. Col. Natilie Brown will serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Lt. Col. Natalie Brown by vote of the full Senate.

Lt. Col. Natalie Brown stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Jane English

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Kristina Boykin of Saline County, to the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Kristina Boykin will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Kristina Boykin by vote of the full Senate.

Kristina Boykin stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Kim Hammer

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Jane Wilkerson of Pulaski County, to the State Review Committee for Historic Preservation. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Jane Wilkerson will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Jane Wilkerson by vote of the full Senate.

Jane Wilkerson stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

STATE OF ARKANSAS

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor

September 5, 2025

The Honorable Bart Hester
President Pro Tempore, Arkansas State Senate
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. President & Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate Scott Willhite of Pulaski County, to the Worker's Compensation Commission. If confirmed by the Arkansas State Senate, Scott Willhite will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2030.

I respectfully propose the name of this qualified individual to the Arkansas State Senate, and I request confirmation of Scott Willhite by vote of the full Senate.

Scott Willhite stands ready to meet with the Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee and the other members of the Arkansas State Senate as you may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

((SIGNED) **SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS**
Governor of Arkansas

cc: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Ms. Cornwell:

This letter serves as written notification that I was out of the chamber when Senate Bill No. 3 and Senate Bill No. 246 were brought up for third reading and final passage. I would like the record to reflect that I would have voted yes on both bills. Please file this letter in the official Senate Journal of the Regular Session 95th General Assembly.

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ADDENDUM

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2025

SENATE BUSINESS MEETING

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Senate Business meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m.

Senator Hester was in the chair.

Senator Davis was recognized and requested leave for the following Senators:

Senators Bryant, Caldwell, Dees, Hickey, King, Murdock, Penzo, Stone, and Tucker.

Leave was granted.

The Secretary called the roll.

The following members answered the roll:

BOYD, CLARK, CROWELL, DAVIS, DISMANG, DOTSON, ENGLISH, FLIPPO, FLOWERS, GILMORE, HAMMER, HESTER, HILL, IRVIN, B. JOHNSON, M. JOHNSON, LEDING, LOVE, MCKEE, PAYTON, , PETTY, RICE, SCOTT, STUBBLEFIELD, SULLIVAN, WALLACE.

Senator Davis was recognized and reported that the Senate Rules Committee met on Friday, December 19, 2025, to discuss appointments by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Senator Davis advised that the names on the December 19, 2025 Floor List were approved by the Committee and recommended to the Senate for confirmation in one batch vote.

Senator Davis asked if any Senator wished to pull any of the appointments to be voted on separate from the batch.

There were no requests for a separate vote on any of the appointments.

Senator Davis moved for the Senate to confirm the batch.

By voice vote, the motion carried. The names on the December 19, 2025 Floor List of appointments were confirmed in a batch.

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS – DECEMBER 19, 2025:

(FLOOR LIST)

2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee:

Dr. Jim Lagrone	-	Senator McKee
Larry Clark	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Marco McClendon	-	Senator Murdock
Martin Rawls	-	Senator Murdock
Micah Warbington	-	Senator English
Nicholas Ortiz	-	Senator Hammer
Randy Zook	-	Senator Tucker
Shelby Johnson	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas 2036 Commission:

Dalaney Lewis	-	Senator Tucker
Jenny Brooks	-	Senator Hammer

Arkansas Child Abuse / Rape / Domestic Violence Commission:

Courtney Hodges	-	Senator Irvin

Courtney Leach	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Cristy Sellers	-	Senator Hammer
Kalika Rogers	-	Senator Hammer
Tiffany Wright	-	Senator Love
Will Jones	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas Ethics Commission:

Stephen Brannon	-	Senator Tucker

Arkansas Fair Housing Commission:

Amanda Eaton	-	Senator Sullivan
Karen Crowson	-	Senator McKee
Rob Stanley	-	Senator Penzo

Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board:

Bo Higginbotham	-	Senator Gilmore
Brad Hardin	-	Senator Leding
Bradly Moore	-	Senator Murdock
Brian Dunavan	-	Senator Dismang
Keith Hillman	-	Senator Irvin
Mark McCollum	-	Senator Payton
Michael Cossey	-	Senator Scott
Scott Baltz	-	Senator Blake Johnson
Shane Wood	-	Senator Petty
Travis Dover	-	Senator Dotson

Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System Board:

Seth Smith	-	Senator Rice

Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission:

Charlie Spakes	-	Senator Hester

Thomas McWilliams	-	Senator Crowell

Arkansas Psychology Board:

Aaron Holwick	-	Senator Rice
Ferguson Stewart	-	Senator King
Peggy Pack	-	Senator English

Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners:

Dr. Michael Courtney	-	Senator Clark

Arkansas Tobacco Control Board:

David Hendrix	-	Senator Hammer
Kerry Lott	-	Senator Rice

Arkansas Veterans' Commission:

Gregory Brown	-	Senator Wallace
Len Cotton	-	Senator Rice
Michael Hegeman	-	Senator Mark Johnson
Taylor Marsh	-	Senator Tucker
Tom Thomas	-	Senator Dismang

Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program Committee:

Kelley Dunlap	-	Senator Tucker

Commissioner of the State Insurance Department:

Jimmy Harris	-	Senator Mark Johnson

Health Services Permit Commission:

Greg Wood	-	Senator Flippo
Jamie Ewing	-	Senator Stone
John Montgomery	-	Senator English

Justice System Fee Task Force:

Daniel Shue	-	Senator Boyd
Gregg Parrish	-	Senator Rice

State Athletic Commission:

Bobby Edmonds	-	Senator McKee
Monte Mills	-	Senator Dotson
Ryan Stephens	-	Senator Mark Johnson

State Board of Public Accountancy:

Christina Ellis	-	Senator Clark
Kasper Huber	-	Senator Penzo
Shane Warrick	-	Senator Crowell
Taylor Stockemer	-	Senator Tucker

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Jim Lagrone of Garland County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

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Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Marco McClendon of Crittenden County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Martin Rawls of Phillips County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

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Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Randy Zook of Pulaski County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Shelby Johnson of Pulaski County as a member of the 2030 Arkansas Complete Count Committee for a term to expire on September 30, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dalaney Thomas Lewis of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas 2036 Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jenny Brooks of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas 2036 Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2036.

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This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Courtney Hodges of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Tiffany Wright of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Will Jones of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Child Abuse/ Rape/ Domestic Violence Commission for a term to expire on July 1, 2030.

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Stephen Brannon of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Ethics Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Amanda Eaton of Craighead County as a member of the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Rob Stanley of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clint Penzo

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Bo Higginbotham of Ashley County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Ben Gilmore

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brad Hardin of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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December 19, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Bradly Moore of Crittenden County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
The Honorable Home District Senator Reginald Murdock

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Brian Dunavan of White County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Keith Hillman of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Mark McCollum of Independence County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Cossey of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Scott Baltz of Randolph County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Shane Wood of Washington County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Travis Dover of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board for a term to expire on October 14, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Seth Smith of Polk County as a member of the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Charlie Spakes of Benton County as a member of the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission for a term to expire on March 29, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Thomas McWilliams of Columbia County as a member of the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission for a term to expire on March 29, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Aaron Holwick of Sebastian County as a member of the Arkansas Psychology Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ferguson Stewart of Carroll County as a member of the Arkansas Psychology Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Peggy Pack of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Psychology Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Dr. Michael Courtney of Garland County as a member of the Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for a term to expire on June 9, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of David Hendrix of Saline County as a member of the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kerry Lott of Yell County as a member of the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board for a term to expire on July 1, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Gregory Brown of Mississippi County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator David Wallace

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Len Cotton of Yell County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Michael Hegeman of Faulkner County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Taylor Marsh of Pulaski County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
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The Honorable Home District Senator Clarke Tucker

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Tom Thomas of White County as a member of the Arkansas Veterans' Commission for a term to expire on October 15, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kelley Dunlap of Pulaski County as a member of the Baby Sharon's Children's Catastrophic Illness Grant Program for a term to expire on May 1, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jimmy Harris of Faulkner County as Commissioner of the State Insurance Department to serve at the Pleasure of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Greg Wood of Baxter County as a member of the Health Services Permit Commission for a term to expire on April 9, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Jamie Ewing of Grant County as a member of the Health Services Permit Commission for a term to expire on April 9, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of John Montgomery of Pulaski County as a member of the Health Services Permit Commission for a term to expire on April 9, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Daniel Shue of Sebastian County as a member of the Justice System Fee Task Force for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Gregg Parrish of Perry County as a member of the Justice System Fee Task Force for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Honorable Home District Senator Terry Rice

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December 19, 2025

The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Bobby Edmonds of Garland County as a member of the State Athletic Commission for a term to expire on August 24, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) Ann Cornwell, Director
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cc: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State
Katy Restum, Boards and Commissions, Governor's Office
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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Monte Mills of Benton County as a member of the State Athletic Commission for a term to expire on August 24, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Ryan Stephens of Faulkner County as a member of the State Athletic Commission for a term to expire on August 24, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Christina Ellis of Garland County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Kasper Huber of Washington County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Shane Warrick of Columbia County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Governor Sanders:

This is to advise that in a Senate business meeting on December 19, 2025, on a motion by Senator Breanne Davis, the members confirmed the appointment of Taylor Stockemer of Pulaski County as a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy for a term to expire on August 17, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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