

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
Meeting Jointly

Thursday, October 23, 2014

01:30 PM

Room A, MAC

Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair
Sen. Linda Chesterfield, Vice Chair
Sen. Stephanie Flowers
Sen. David Burnett
Sen. Missy Irvin
Sen. Jonathan Dismang
Sen. Ronald Caldwell
Sen. John Cooper

Rep. John Burris, Chair
Rep. Reginald Murdock, Vice Chair
Rep. James L. Word
Rep. Butch Wilkins
Rep. Mark Perry
Rep. Stephanie Malone
Rep. Henry "Hank" Wilkins, IV
Rep. Greg Leding
Rep. Fredrick J. Love
Rep. Kelley Linck
Rep. Justin T. Harris
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw
Rep. Kim Hammer
Rep. David L. Branscum
Rep. David Meeks
Rep. Andy Mayberry

Rep. Betty Overbey
Rep. Chris Richey
Rep. Richard Womack
Rep. Deborah Ferguson
Rep. Nate Steel, Non-Voting
Rep. Mark Biviano, Non-Voting
Rep. Charlie Collins, Non-Voting
Rep. Matthew J. Shepherd, Non-Voting
Rep. Tommy Thompson, Non-Voting
Rep. Charlotte Vining Douglas, Non-Voting
Rep. Sue Scott, Non-Voting
Rep. Mark D. McElroy, Non-Voting
Rep. Stephen Magie, Non-Voting
Rep. John K. Hutchison, Non-Voting
Rep. John Baine, Non-Voting
Rep. Mary Broadaway, Non-Voting

- A. Call to Order
- B. Comments by the Chairs
 - 1. Senator Cecile Bledsoe
 - 2. Representative John Burris
- C. Consideration to Approve the Minutes of the September 25 and 26, 2014 Meetings (**EXHIBITS C-1 & C-2**)
- D. Implementation of the Private Option: Arkansas Healthcare Independence Act (Act 1498 of 2013 and Act 257 of 2014)
 - 1. Dawn Stehle, Director, Division of Medical Services, Department of Human Services (**EXHIBIT D-1**)
 - 2. Cindy Crone, Deputy Commissioner, Arkansas Health Connector Division, Arkansas Insurance Department (**EXHIBIT D**)
 - 3. Zane Chrisman, Attorney & Plan Management Specialist, Health Connector Division, Arkansas Insurance Department
 - 4. Discussion by the Committees
- E. Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission, Quarterly Report, April – June, 2014 (Act 101 of Fiscal Session 2014, Section 3) (**EXHIBIT E**)
 - 1. Faye Shepherd, Executive Director, Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission
 - 2. Discussion & Action by the Committees

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- F. **ADOPTION** for Study of the Following Interim Study Proposals (ISP). These ISPs Will Be Referred to a Subcommittee of the Senate & House Public Health, Welfare & Labor Committees for a Hearing
(EXHIBITS F & F-1)
1. **ISP2013-203** – “Requesting That the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor Study the Feasibility and Impact of Requiring Certification or Licensure of Surgical Technologists and Surgical Assistants.”
 - a. Sponsor: Representative Charlotte Vining Douglas
 - b. Discussion & Action by the Committees

 2. **ISP2013-202** – “Requesting the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor to Conduct an Interim Study to Determine the Need for a Scope of Practice Change in the Emergency Medical Services Act to Establish the New Licensure of Community Paramedic.”
 - a. Sponsor: Representative Kelley Linck
 - b. Discussion & Action by the Committees
- G. Other Business
- H. Adjournment