

AGENDA (Revised 4/4/2023 @ 7:48 AM)
Added Bills SB520 and SB568
House Committee on Education

Tuesday, April 4, 2023
Upon Adjournment of Joint Budget
Room 138, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Rep. Brian S. Evans, Chair
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CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1559	McAlindon	CONCERNING IMPLICIT BIAS TRAINING REQUIRED BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB416	C. Tucker	TO CREATE THE IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF ARKANSAS PROGRAM; AND TO CREATE THE IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF ARKANSAS PROGRAM FUND.
SB369	J. Dotson	CONCERNING CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.
SB125	J. Dotson	CONCERNING FREE SPEECH RIGHTS AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB378	B. Davis	TO AMEND THE COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT ACT OF 2021; AND TO ALLOW A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT TO EMPLOY A COMPUTER SCIENCE TEACHER AT EACH HIGH SCHOOL.
SB451	J. English	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING CAREER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.
SB458	J. English	TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2015; AND TO AMEND THE ELIGIBILITY OF CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY UNIFORMED SERVICES PERSONNEL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNT PROGRAM.
HB1781	J. Mayberry	CONCERNING STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAYS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF INSTRUCTION.
SB285	C. Tucker	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR A STUDENT WHO ACCOMPANIES THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN TO VOTE.
SB364	C. Tucker	TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH WITHIN TWO YEARS OF ITS ASSUMPTION OF AUTHORITY OVER A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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		SHALL BE RETURNED TO LOCAL CONTROL.
SB384	D. Wallace	TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE INSTRUCTION ON ADOPTION AWARENESS.
SB387	J. English	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MILITARY CHILD SCHOOL TRANSITIONS ACT OF 2021.
SB421	G. Leding	TO CREATE THE COACH SAFELY ACT; AND TO REQUIRE YOUTH INJURY MITIGATION AND INFORMATION COURSES FOR ATHLETICS PERSONNEL AND COACHES.
SB432	J. Dotson	TO ESTABLISH THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT OPERATES PRIMARILY AS A VIRTUAL SCHOOL MAY OFFER A STATEWIDE STUDENT ASSESSMENT IN A VIRTUAL SETTING.
SB436	J. English	TO AMEND THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF NEW OR ADDITIONAL POSITIONS AND THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLES FOR CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB466	J. Dotson	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS STUDENT PROTECTION ACT; AND TO INCLUDE OFFERING OR PROVIDING ABORTION REFERRALS AS A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT CHARTER SCHOOL.
SB470	J. Dotson	CONCERNING CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.
SB473	J. Bryant	CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE PROFESSIONAL OR LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.
SB477	J. Dismang	TO CREATE A MEANS BY WHICH STUDENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS AT SCHOOL RECEIVE FREE MEALS AT SCHOOL.
SB505	K. Hammer	TO ESTABLISH A MEANS BY WHICH A PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY AWARD A STUDENT A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA BEFORE THE STUDENT GRADUATES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB520	Irvin	TO AMEND THE COMPOSITION OF THE GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION RESIDENCY EXPANSION BOARD.
SB568	J. Dismang	TO AMEND ACTS 2023, NO. 237; AND TO AMEND THE LIMITATION ON THE FUNDS A PARTICIPATING STUDENT MAY RECEIVE UNDER THE ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNT PROGRAM.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1343	Scott	TO ALLOW THE CONTENTS OF A TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM TO INCLUDE CERTAIN CONTENT THAT PERTAINS TO EVIDENCE-BASED TRAUMA-INFORMED CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION WITHIN ITS CURRICULUM.
HB1113	Rose	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO STUDENTS IN FOSTER CARE.
HB1154	L. Johnson	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TYPE OF LICENSE ISSUED TO CERTAIN APPLICANTS IN AN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM.
HB1206	Joey Carr	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE INFORMATION CONSIDERED UNDER THE SCHOOL RATING SYSTEM.
HB1350	C. Fite	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EFFECT OF A MINORITY POPULATION ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS.

HB1428	C. Cooper	TO CREATE THE EQUAL ACCESS TO COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS ASSESSMENTS ACT.
HB1205	Wooten	TO REQUIRE A SCHOOL THAT ACCEPTS STATE FUNDING OF ANY TYPE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO CERTAIN STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL.
HB1715	Womack	TO PROHIBIT ADDITIONAL TICKET FEES FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY STUDENT ACTIVITIES; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONTRACTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
HB1724	Tosh	TO ESTABLISH THE NUMBER OF LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALISTS A PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL EMPLOY BASED ON THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.
HB1668	J. Mayberry	TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; AND TO AMEND THE TARGET AVERAGE ANNUAL TEACHER SALARY FOR PURPOSES OF TEACHER SALARY EQUALIZATION FUNDING.
HB1747	McAlindon	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RURAL MEDICAL PRACTICE STUDENT LOANS AND SCHOLARSHIPS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW TO INCLUDE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN ADDITIONAL MEDICAL PROGRAMS AS ELIGIBLE FOR RECEIPT OF RURAL MEDICAL PRACTICE LOANS.
HB1708	Vaught	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A NOVICE TEACHER UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM.
HB1721	L. Johnson	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADULT EDUCATION CHARTER SCHOOLS; AND TO AMEND THE SOURCES OF FUNDING AVAILABLE TO ADULT EDUCATION CHARTER SCHOOLS.
HB1722	L. Johnson	TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION TO AMEND THE CURRENT SCHOOL RATING SYSTEM; AND TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION TO CREATE A PRIVATE SCHOOL RATING SYSTEM.
HB1773	L. Johnson	TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003; AND TO AMEND THE LAW TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR PURPOSES OF RECEIVING TEACHER SALARY EQUALIZATION FUNDING.
HB1204	Wooten	TO REQUIRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO ADMINISTER AN ANNUAL STATEWIDE STUDENT ASSESSMENT; AND TO REQUIRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO ADMIT EACH STUDENT WHO APPLIES FOR ADMISSION AND INTENDS TO COVER PRIVATE SCHOOL COSTS WITH STATE FUNDING.
HB1587	Wooten	TO REQUIRE HOME SCHOOLS THAT RECEIVE ANY FORM OF PUBLIC FUNDS TO ADMINISTER AN ANNUAL STUDENT ASSESSMENT.
HB1702	Unger	TO CREATE RECALL ELECTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS.
HB1698	Breaux	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS RELEASED TIME EDUCATION ACT.
HB1791	Gazaway	TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS TO INCLUDE IN STUDENT DISCIPLINE POLICIES THE REQUIREMENT THAT SCHOOLS CONDUCT AN ASSESSMENT OF A STUDENT'S ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES BEFORE DISCIPLINING A STUDENT.