

FIFTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS
HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Little Rock, Arkansas

January 22, 2007

The House was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Mr. Petrus, the Speaker. The following members answered to the roll call:

Abernathy, Adcock, Allen, Anderson, T. Baker, Berry, Blount, Bond, T. Bradford, Breedlove, E. Brown, J. Brown, Burkes, Burris, Cash, Cheatham, Chesterfield, Cook, Cooper, Cornwell, L. Cowling, D. Creekmore, Davenport, Davis, Dickinson, S. Dobbins, Dunn, Edwards, D. Evans, L. Evans, Everett, Flowers, Garner, Gaskill, George, Glidewell, Green, Greenberg, Hall, Hardwick, Hardy, Harrelson, Harris, Hawkins, House, Hoyt, D. Hutchinson, Hyde, Jeffrey, D. Johnson, J. Johnson, Kenney, Key, Kidd, King, Lamoureux, W. Lewellen, Lovell, Lowery, Maloch, M. Martin, Maxwell, Medley, Moore, Norton, Overbey, Pace, Pate, Patterson, Pennartz, Pickett, Pierce, Powers, S. Prater, Pyle, Ragland, Rainey, Reep, Reynolds, J. Roebuck, Rogers, Rosenbaum, Sample, Saunders, Schulte, Shelby, Smith, Stewart, Sullivan, Sumpter, Thyer, Wagner, Walters, Webb, Wells, Wills, Wood, Woods, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker.

Total100

The following member(s) was absent and did not answer to the roll call:

Total0

A quorum was present.

The House stood and was led in prayer by Reverend Eric Boye, Pastor of Peace Lutheran Church, Rogers, Arkansas.

The House stood and gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The reading of the Journal of yesterday's proceedings was dispensed with.

Upon motion of Representative Cook, **HOUSE BILL NO. 1113** was placed back on second reading for the purpose of amendment.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1113

Amend **HOUSE BILL NO. 1113** as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Wood, Walters, Stewart, and Pennartz as cosponsors of the bill

/s/ David Cook

The Amendment was read and adopted by more than 51 votes.

/s/ Ms. Jo Renshaw
Chief Clerk

Upon of Representative Ragland, **HOUSE BILL NO. 1068** was placed back on second reading for the purpose of amendment.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1068

Amend **HOUSE BILL NO. 1068** as originally introduced:

Page 3, line 7, delete "(c)" and substitute "~~(c)~~(b)"

AND

Page 3, line 17, delete "(a)" and substitute "(a)(1)"

AND

Page 3, line 19, delete "or remove"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 22 and 23, and substitute the following:

"(2) A violation of subdivision (a)(1) of this section is a Class D felony for the first offense and a Class C felony for a subsequent offense.

(b)(1) It is unlawful for any person, natural or corporate, to knowingly remove an artifact from the private land of the owner without first obtaining the owner's permission.

(2) A violation of subdivision (b)(1) of this section is a Class C misdemeanor for the first offense and a Class B misdemeanor for a subsequent offense."

/s/ Roy Ragland

The Amendment was read and adopted by more than 51 votes.

/s/ Ms. Jo Renshaw

Chief Clerk

Upon motion of Representative Johnson, **HOUSE BILL NO. 1036** was placed back on second reading for the purpose of amendment.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1036

Amend **HOUSE BILL NO. 1036** as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 27, and substitute the following:

"(1) "Check" means a check, warrant, draft, money order, travelers' check, or other instrument for the payment of money, whether or not negotiable, but excluding:

(A) Any such instrument drawn on an account or financial institution outside of the United States; and

(B) Money or currency of any nation;

(2)(A) "Consumer loan" means a loan extended to an individual in"

AND

Page 1, delete line 29, and substitute the following:

"personal, family, or household purposes.

(B) "Consumer loan" does not include a loan that is secured in full by tangible personal property other than a check or checks;"

AND

Page 1, line 30, delete "(2)" and substitute "(3)"

AND

Page 2, line 1, delete "State Banking Board" and substitute "State Bank Department"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 5 and 6, and substitute the following:

"of Thrift Supervision, or their successors;

(4) "Interest" means a charge or fee for the borrowing of currency or money; and

(5) "Person" means an individual, group of individuals."

AND

Page 2, delete line 21, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 23-52-104 is amended to read as follows:

23-52-104. Permissible check-casher fees.

(a) A check-casher may charge a reasonable fee to defray operational costs incurred in the check-cashing business, including, ~~without limitation:~~

(1) Investigating the checking account and copying required documents;

(2) Photographing the person signing the check;

(3) Securing check and customer records in a safe, fireproof place;

(4) Maintaining records as required by this chapter;
 (5) Maintaining required capital and liquidity; and
 (6) Processing, documenting, and closing the check-cashing or deferred-deposit transactions.

(b) Unless otherwise authorized by this chapter, the ~~fees~~ fee authorized by this section shall not exceed ~~the following~~:

~~(1) For the service of selling currency or check in exchange for checks, without regard to whether a deferred presentment option is involved:~~

~~(A) A fee not to exceed five percent (5%) of the face amount of the check if the check is the payment of any kind of state public assistance or federal social security benefit payable to the bearer of the check or the check is otherwise a check issued by a federal or state governmental entity;~~

~~(B) A fee not in excess of ten percent (10%) of the face amount of any personal check or money order; or~~

~~(C) A fee not in excess of six percent (6%) of the face amount of the check in the case of all other checks. Such a fee may be collected separately or by paying the customer an amount of money equal to the face amount of the check less the appropriate fee under this chapter;~~

~~(2) For a deferred presentment option which involves a personal check, an additional fee not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) may be charged by a check-casher; and~~

~~(3) In addition to the foregoing fees, a check-casher may charge a fee of no more than five dollars (\$5.00) to set up an initial customer account and issue an optional identification card for providing check-cashing services. A replacement optional identification card may be issued at a cost not to exceed five dollars (\$5.00) seventeen percent (17%) per annum of the face amount of the check.~~

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the"

/s/ David Johnson

The Amendment was read and adopted by more than 51 votes.

/s/ Ms. Jo Renshaw
 Chief Clerk

ENGROSSED BILL REPORTS

BENNY C. PETRUS, CHAIRMAN

January 22, 2007

The following bill(s) reported correctly engrossed:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1036 BY REPRESENTATIVE D. JOHNSON, ET AL

HOUSE BILL NO. 1068 BY REPRESENTATIVE RAGLAND

HOUSE BILL NO. 1113 - TITLE - BY REPRESENTATIVE COOK, ET AL

HOUSE BILL ENGROSSED AS TITLE AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1113

BY: REPRESENTATIVES COOK, DUNN, ABERNATHY, WOOD, WALTERS,
STEWART, PENNARTZ

BY: SENATOR MILLER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM CREDITED SERVICE BY MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY RESERVE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Speaker requested that **HOUSE BILL NO. 1194** be transferred to the Joint Budget Committee.

Morning Hour Expired.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1040

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ALLEN

Was read the third time and placed on final passage, the question being shall the Bill pass. The vote was as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE: Abernathy, Adcock, Allen, Anderson, T. Baker, Berry, Blount, Bond, T. Bradford, Breedlove, E. Brown, J. Brown, Burkes, Burris, Cash, Cheatham, Chesterfield, Cook, Cooper, Cornwell, L. Cowling, D. Creekmore, Davenport, Davis, Dickinson, S. Dobbins, Dunn, Edwards, D. Evans, L. Evans, Everett, Flowers, Garner, Gaskill, George, R. Green, Greenberg, Hall, Hardwick, Hardy, Hawkins, House, Hoyt, D. Hutchinson, Hyde, D. Johnson, J. Johnson, Kenney, Key, Kidd, King, Lamoureux, W. Lewellen, Lovell, Lowery, Maloch, Maxwell, Medley, Moore, Norton, Overbey, Pace, Pate, Patterson, Pierce, Powers, S. Prater, Ragland, Rainey, Reep, Reynolds, J. Roebuck, Rogers, Rosenbaum, Sample, Saunders, Schulte, Shelby, Stewart, Sullivan, Thyer, Wagner, Walters, Webb, Wells, Wills, Wood, Woods, Wyatt.

Total89

NEGATIVE: Glidewell, Harrelson, M. Martin, Pickett, Pyle, L. Smith.

Total6

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Jeffrey, Sumpter, Mr. Speaker.

Total3

VOTING PRESENT: Harris, Pennartz.

Total2

Total number of votes cast97

Total number voting in the affirmative89

Necessary to the passage of the bill.....51

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS

Was read the third time and placed on final passage, the question being shall the Bill pass. The vote was as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE: Abernathy, Adcock, Allen, Anderson, Blount, Bond, T. Bradford, E. Brown, Burris, Cash, Cheatham, Chesterfield, Cook, Cooper, Cornwell, L. Cowling, D. Creekmore, Davis, Dickinson, S. Dobbins, Dunn, Edwards, D. Evans, L. Evans, Flowers, Garner, Gaskill, George, Glidewell, R. Green, Greenberg, Hall, Hardwick, Hardy, Harrelson, Harris, House, Hoyt, D. Hutchinson, Hyde, D. Johnson, J. Johnson, Kenney, Key, Kidd, W. Lewellen, Lovell, Lowery, Maloch, M. Martin, Maxwell, Medley, Moore, Overbey, Pace, Pate, Patterson, Pennartz, Pickett, Pierce, Powers, S. Prater, Pyle, Rainey, Reep, Reynolds, J. Roebuck, Rogers, Rosenbaum, Sample, Saunders, Schulte, Shelby, L. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Thyer, Wagner, Walters, Webb, Wills, Wood, Wyatt.

Total83

NEGATIVE: T. Baker, Berry, Breedlove, J. Brown, Burkes, Davenport, Everett, Hawkins, King, Lamoureux, Ragland, Stewart, Woods.

Total13

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Jeffrey, Norton, Wells, Mr. Speaker.

Total4

VOTING PRESENT:

Total0

Total number of votes cast96

Total number voting in the affirmative.....83

Necessary to the passage of the bill.....51

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

Upon motion of Representative Walters the Clincher motion prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1072

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS

Was read the third time and placed on final passage, the question being shall the Bill pass. The vote was as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE: Abernathy, Adcock, Allen, Anderson, T. Baker, Berry, Blount, Bond, T. Bradford, Breedlove, E. Brown, J. Brown, Burris, Cash, Cheatham, Chesterfield, Cook, Cooper, Cornwell, L. Cowling, D. Creekmore, Davenport, Davis, Dickinson, S. Dobbins, Dunn, Edwards, D. Evans, L. Evans, Everett, Flowers, Gaskill, George, Glidewell, R. Green, Hall, Hardwick, Hardy, Harris, Hawkins, House, Hoyt, D. Hutchinson, Hyde, Jeffrey, D. Johnson, J. Johnson, Kenney, Key, Kidd, King, W. Lewellen, Lovell, Lowery, Maloch, M. Martin, Maxwell, Medley, Moore, Norton, Overbey, Pace, Pate, Patterson, Pennartz, Pickett, Pierce, Powers, S. Prater, Pyle, Ragland, Rainey, Reep, Reynolds, J. Roebuck, Rogers, Rosenbaum, Sample, Saunders, Schulte, Shelby, Stewart, Sullivan, Thyer, Wagner, Walters, Webb, Wells, Wills, Wood, Wyatt.

Total91

NEGATIVE: Burkes, Garner, Greenberg, Harrelson, Lamoureux, L. Smith, Woods.

Total7

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Sumpster, Mr. Speaker.

Total2

VOTING PRESENT:

Total0

Total number of votes cast98

Total number voting in the affirmative91

Necessary to the passage of the bill.....51

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

HOUSE BILLS ORDERED TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1040 BY REPRESENTATIVE ALLEN
HOUSE BILL NO. 1071 BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS
HOUSE BILL NO. 1072 BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS

ARKANSAS SENATE
HOUSE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE SENATE AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1063 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1064 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1079 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1087 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1088 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1089 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1090 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1091 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARKANSAS SENATE
SENATE BILLS RECEIVED FROM SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 82 BY SENATOR BAKER

ARKANSAS SENATE
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AND
TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3 BY SENATOR CRITCHER

ENROLLED AND DELIVERY TO GOVERNOR REPORTS

Little Rock, Arkansas

January 22, 2007

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1063 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1064 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1079 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1087 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1088 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1089 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1090 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1091 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

beg leave to report that we have carefully compared the enrolled copies with the original and we find the same correctly enrolled and have at 4:16 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for his approval.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Benny C. Petrus, Chairman

RECEIPT FROM THE GOVERNOR

RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSE:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1063 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1064 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1079 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
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 HOUSE BILL NO. 1090 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1091 BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

/s/ Mike Beebe - Governor

TIME: 4:16 p.m.

By: Sarah Agee

HOUSE BILL NO. 1206

BY: REPRESENTATIVE DUNN

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A PERMIT FOR THE MOVEMENT OF EARTHMOVING EQUIPMENT THAT IS A TRACTOR WITH A DIRT PAN IN TOW UPON THE STATE HIGHWAYS IF THE OWNER IS PRIMARILY ENGAGED IN FARMING OR EARTHMOVING OPERATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1207

BY: REPRESENTATIVE E. BROWN

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DEATH OR DISABILITY BENEFITS OF COVERED PUBLIC EMPLOYEES OR THEIR SURVIVORS FROM LEGAL PROCESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1208

BY: REPRESENTATIVE KING

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SOIL NUTRIENT APPLICATION AND POULTRY LITTER UTILIZATION ACT TO ALLOW WAIVERS CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS SOIL NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANNER AND APPLICATOR CERTIFICATION ACT; TO REQUIRE ANNUAL MEETINGS BETWEEN THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION AND THE NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1209

BY: REPRESENTATIVES HYDE, E. BROWN, BURKES, GEORGE, GLIDEWELL,
KING, PIERCE, J. ROEBUCK, WEBB

BY: SENATOR SALMON

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE INSURANCE COVERAGE; TO PROTECT BUSINESS FROM INSURANCE POLICY LIMITATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE AND COMMERCE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1210

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 ARKANSAS HERITAGE FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1211

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 INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1212

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 CROWLEY'S RIDGE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1213

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 TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1214

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 RIVERSIDE VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1215

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 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1216

BY: REPRESENTATIVES S. PRATER, BERRY, KIDD

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR REVIEWING COMPLAINTS CONCERNING SCOPE OF PRACTICE THAT INVOLVE MORE THAN ONE (1) BOARD OF THE HEALING ARTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1217

BY: REPRESENTATIVES S. PRATER, BERRY, KIDD, MEDLEY

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE TIME FOR RECOUPMENT OF HEALTH CARE INSURANCE PAYMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1218

BY: REPRESENTATIVE S. PRATER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1219

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 - OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220

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 - DIVISION OF RACING FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1221

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 - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL DIVISION FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1222

BY: REPRESENTATIVE STEWART

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND TO MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES RESERVE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE SERVICE CREDIT IN THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM THAT IS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD; TO ADDRESS DISPARITIES IN THE ALLOWANCE OF PURCHASING SERVICE CREDIT IN STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES RESERVES AND THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1223

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDERSON

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT ALLOWED FOR THE EXPENSING OF CERTAIN DEPRECIABLE BUSINESS ASSETS TO THE AMOUNT CURRENTLY ALLOWED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1224

BY: REPRESENTATIVES EDWARDS, CORNWELL, GARNER, GEORGE, GLIDEWELL, HAWKINS, HOYT, KENNEY, KIDD, M. MARTIN, PIERCE, PYLE, REYNOLDS, ROSENBAUM, WALTERS, WELLS

BY: SENATORS BAKER, WHITAKER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS PROVIDERS IN ACTIONS FOR CIVIL LIABILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1225

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LAMOUREUX

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONPARTISAN ELECTION OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1226

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LAMOUREUX

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT HEARINGS CONCERNING TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIPS MAY BE WAIVED UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on AGING, CHILDREN AND YOUTH, LEGISLATIVE AND MILITARY AFFAIRS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1227

BY: REPRESENTATIVE LAMOUREUX

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE TIME FOR HOLDING HEARINGS CONCERNING TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIPS MAY BE EXTENDED UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on AGING, CHILDREN AND YOUTH, LEGISLATIVE AND MILITARY AFFAIRS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1228

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARDWICK**BY: SENATOR J. JEFFRESS**

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT A RETIRED MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE TO CONTINUE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1229

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PACE

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS ORTHOTICS, PROSTHETICS, AND PEDORTHICS PRACTICE ACT OF 2007; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1230

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PATTERSON, ADCOCK, ALLEN, BREEDLOVE, J. BROWN, CHEATHAM, L. COWLING, GARNER, GEORGE, GLIDEWELL, HALL, KIDD, LOVELL, MAXWELL, RAGLAND, ROGERS, WELLS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A WAITING PERIOD OF SIX (6) YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY FOR PERSONS SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT PAROLE FOR FILING A NEW APPLICATION FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY; TO ALLOW THE PAROLE BOARD TO WAIVE THE WAITING PERIOD UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1231

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE DETERMINATION OF "SALARY" IN SETTING ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM BENEFITS; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-7-202 TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF "SALARY" UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1232

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING RESCISSION OF TERMINATION OF ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1233

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE RETURN TO WORK AFTER RETIREMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1234

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE PENSION REVIEW BOARD TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1235

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MEDLEY, JEFFREY, PACE, BLOUNT, T. BRADFORD, BURKES, COOPER, CORNWELL, GLIDEWELL, KING, RAGLAND, ROSENBAUM, WALTERS, WOOD

BY: SENATORS J. TAYLOR, ALTES

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL ARKANSAS CODE § 5-73-121(b), CONCERNING PRIMA FACIE PROOF OF CARRYING A KNIFE AS A WEAPON; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO § 5-73-121(a); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1236

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1237

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1238

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERTAINING TO BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1239

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERTAINING TO BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1240

BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. BAKER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT A DISTRICT JUDGE ENROLLED AS A CONTRIBUTORY MEMBER IN THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO RECEIVE CURRENT SERVICE CREDIT AS A CONTRIBUTORY MEMBER FOR NONCONTRIBUTORY SERVICE AS A DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1241

BY: REPRESENTATIVES WEBB, ADCOCK, ALLEN T. BAKER, BLOUNT, BOND, T. BRADFORD, BREEDLOVE, E. BROWN, J. BROWN, CASH, CHESTERFIELD, CORNWELL, L. COWLING, D. CREEKMORE, DAVENPORT, DICKINSON, S. DOBBINS, DUNN, EDWARDS, FLOWERS, GARNER, GEORGE, R. GREEN, GREENBERG, HALL, HARDWICK, HARRELSON, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HOUSE, HOYT, D. HUTCHINSON, HYDE, D. JOHNSON, J. JOHNSON, KEY, KING, W. LEWELLEN, LOVELL, LOWERY, MALOCH, MAXWELL, NORTON, PATTERSON, PENNARTZ, PICKETT, PIERCE, POWERS, S. PRATER, PYLE, RAGLAND, RAINEY, REYNOLDS, J. ROEBUCK, ROSENBAUM, SAMPLE, SAUNDERS, SHELBY, STEWART, SULLIVAN, SUMPTER, THYER, WAGNER, WALTERS, WILLS, WOOD, WOODS

BY: SENATOR BAKER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS INFORMATION READING SERVICES FOR THE BLIND WITHIN THE DIVISION OF STATE SERVICES FOR THE BLIND OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1242

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GARNER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF "PARTICIPATING PUBLIC EMPLOYEE" UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1243

BY: REPRESENTATIVE J. ROEBUCK

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM EMPLOYED BY PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1244

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PATE

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS WHO LATER BECOME CERTIFIED FULL-TIME TEACHERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245

BY: REPRESENTATIVE T. BAKER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1246

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BURRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1247

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BURRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING ANNUITY OPTIONS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1248

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BURRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1249

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BURRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1250

BY: REPRESENTATIVES MEDLEY, WELLS, WALTERS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INDEPENDENT PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY BY QUALIFIED PERSONS AT THE MASTER'S LEVEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1251

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PATE

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS DISTRICT JUDGE RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1252

BY: REPRESENTATIVE COOK

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD AND ARMED FORCES RESERVE SERVICE CREDIT UNDER THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1253

BY: REPRESENTATIVE D. JOHNSON

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF RETROACTIVE BENEFIT INCREASES TO SURVIVING SPOUSES OF DECEASED FIREFIGHTERS KILLED WHILE ON DUTY WHO APPLY FOR BENEFIT RESTORATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1254

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 - REVENUE SERVICES DIVISION FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1255

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 - MANAGEMENT SERVICES DIVISION FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1256

BY: REPRESENTATIVE COOK

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING CREDITED SERVICE FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES TO PERSONS SERVING IN THE IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN MILITARY CONFLICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1257

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERTAINING TO BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS DISTRICT JUDGE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1258

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERTAINING TO BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1259

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1260

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERTAINING TO BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1261

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1262

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERTAINING TO BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1263

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS DISTRICT JUDGE RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1264

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERTAINING TO BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1265

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1266

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PATE

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1267

BY: REPRESENTATIVE FLOWERS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING A MECHANISM FOR PROVIDING HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES TO RETIRED TEACHERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1268

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONCERNING BENEFITS, CREDITED SERVICE, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1269

BY: REPRESENTATIVE GARNER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO TRANSFER VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES TO PROMOTE EFFICIENCY IN STATE GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1270

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING BENEFITS, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, CREDITED SERVICE, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE PENSION REVIEW BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1271

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WELLS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY CREDIT FOR CONCURRENT SERVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1272

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE LAWS OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE PENSION REVIEW BOARD CONCERNING BENEFITS, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, CREDITED SERVICE, EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1273

BY: REPRESENTATIVE SUMPTER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING BENEFITS FOR THE WIDOWS OF FIREFIGHTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1274

BY: REPRESENTATIVE D. CREEKMORE

BY: SENATOR BOOKOUT

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REGARDING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION REGARDING A SEX OFFENDER TO STUDENTS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on EDUCATION.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1275

BY: REPRESENTATIVE ANDERSON

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN AND ON THE GROUNDS OF ALL MEDICAL FACILITIES IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on RULES.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1276

BY: REPRESENTATIVE PATE

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW COUNTY QUORUM COURT MEMBERS TO PURCHASE SERVICE IN THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1277

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF RETROACTIVE BENEFIT INCREASES TO SURVIVING SPOUSES OF DECEASED FIREFIGHTERS KILLED WHILE ON DUTY WHO APPLY FOR BENEFIT RESTORATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1278

BY: REPRESENTATIVE SULLIVAN

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT THE ARKANSAS EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN ASSOCIATION, INC. AND THE ARKANSAS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOUNDATION, INC. FROM THE SALES AND USE TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279

BY: REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO TRANSFER ALL ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM STAFF HIRED AFTER JANUARY 1, 1999, FROM THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1280

BY: REPRESENTATIVE RAINEY

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAL INSURANCE RATES FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

SENATE BILL NO. 82

BY: SENATOR BAKER

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WILLS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN DEFINITIONS IN THE UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; TO AMEND EXEMPTIONS TO NOTICE REQUIREMENTS IN THE UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; TO ELIMINATE A LOCATION IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT IN THE UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT; TO REPEAL § 14-271-105; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on INSURANCE AND COMMERCE.

Upon motion of Representative David Evans, the House adjourned at 2:06 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 23, 2007.

ATTEST:

Benny C. Petrus
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Jo Renshaw
Chief Clerk

