

AGENDA
House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
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Tuesday, March 24, 2015
10 MINUTES UPON ADJOURNMENT
Room 130, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Rep. Kelley Linck, Chair
Rep. Deborah Ferguson, Vice Chair
Rep. Fredrick J. Love
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw
Rep. Kim Hammer
Rep. David L. Branscum

Rep. David Meeks
Rep. Betty Overbey
Rep. Chris Richey
Rep. Stephen Magie
Rep. Josh Miller
Rep. Richard Womack
Rep. Ken Bragg

Rep. Charlene Fite
Rep. John Payton
Rep. Robin Lundstrum
Rep. Mary Bentley
Rep. Justin Boyd
Rep. Ken Henderson
Rep. Dan Sullivan

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1465	Hammer	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STROKE CENTER DESIGNATION ACT.
HB1566	Miller	TO ALLOW PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANTS THE OPTION OF WORKING MORE THAN FORTY (40) HOURS PER WEEK UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
HB1421	Bentley	TO ESTABLISH THE ABORTION PROVIDERS' ADMITTING PRIVILEGES ACT.
HB1396	D. Meeks	TO ESTABLISH THE HEALTH CARE COMPACT.
SB268	K. Ingram	TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES THROUGH THE USE OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR COACHES.
HB1615	Love	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK EXEMPTIONS APPLICABLE TO A VARIETY OF HEALTHCARE SERVICE PROVIDERS.
HB1617	Love	TO TRANSFER THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS; AND TO CREATE A BARBER TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
HB1686	L. Fite	TO ESTABLISH A PALLIATIVE CARE PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND TO CREATE THE PALLIATIVE CARE AND QUALITY OF LIFE INTERDISCIPLINARY TASK FORCE.
SB631	Hester	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COST OF WORK AND MATERIALS REQUIRING A GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE.
HB1736	Dotson	AN ACT TO ALLOW MEDICAID RECIPIENTS DIRECT ACCESS TO A CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN WITHOUT REFERRAL FROM A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN.
HB1277	Leding	TO CREATE THE RIGHT TO WAGES EARNED ACT.
HB1768	Shepherd	TO AMEND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948 AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1785	Baltz	AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT APPLICANTS FOR AND RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TEST NEGATIVE FOR ILLEGAL DRUG USE.
HB1192	Leding	TO AMEND THE RIGHT TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SERVICE ANIMAL.
HB1276	Leding	TO CREATE THE RIGHT TO KNOW YOUR PAY ACT.
HB2001	Womack	TO STIMULATE JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WHILE PRESERVING HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1142	C. Douglas	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS ACT.
HB1533	D. Ferguson	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PHYSICIAN ORDER FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT ACT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF A PHYSICIAN ORDER FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT FORM.
SB913	Hester	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYMENT" UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF

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		WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
HB1639	Lampkin	TO ADJUST THE POST-CLOSURE TRUST FUND.
HB1679	Gates	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.
SB145	B. Sample	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY; AND TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY.
SB600	B. Johnson	TO ESTABLISH THE DRUG SCREENING AND TESTING ACT OF 2015.
HB1604	Magie	TO CREATE THE COMBATING PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE ACT; AND TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM.
SB717	Irvin	TO ENHANCE THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM ACT.
SB842	D. Sanders	TO EXEMPT SERVICES PROVIDED BY CERTAIN LEGALLY ADMITTED ALIENS FROM THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYMENT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
HB1867	Hammer	TO ESTABLISH A HOSPICE DRUG DISPOSAL PROCEDURE.
HB1877	Hammer	TO ESTABLISH A MEDICAID PROGRAM CLAIM SCRUBBING PROCESS.
HB1843	Murdock	TO PROMOTE FAIRNESS IN THE BIDDING PRACTICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLICLY FUNDED PROJECTS; AND TO REQUIRE JUSTIFICATION OF AWARDING A PUBLICLY FUNDED PROJECT TO A BIDDER OTHER THAN THE LOW BIDDER.
HB1555	Harris	TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "PRESCRIPTION" UNDER THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY ACT; AND TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF PATIENTS WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES.
SB624	E. Cheatham	TO AMEND THE LAWS RELATING TO THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING.
SB625	E. Cheatham	TO AMEND THE LIST OF OFFENSES THAT PROHIBIT NURSING LICENSURE.
SB819	Bledsoe	TO AMEND THE REIMBURSEMENT FOR CERTAIN MEDICAL SUPPLIES OR SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND TO PRESERVE THE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
SB952	K. Ingram	TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO EXPAND THE CAPACITY OF THE ARKANSAS AUTISM PARTNERSHIP.
SB754	Hester	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRAINING AND LICENSURE OF ELECTRICIANS.
SB1041	B. Sample	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING COSMETOLOGISTS, MANICURISTS, AND AESTHETICIANS.
SB1053	G. Stubblefield	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS LAY CAREGIVER ACT.
HB1749	Miller	TO ELIMINATE THE WAITING LISTS FOR THE ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES WAIVER PROGRAM, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WAIVER".
SB1009	Files	TO REMOVE THE MORATORIUM ON RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL CARE FOR PERSONS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS.
HB1009	Murdock	TO CLARIFY ARKANSAS LAWS CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1055	House	TO SIMPLIFY LICENSURE PROCEDURES FOR PLUMBERS BY ENSURING THAT A PLUMBER'S LICENSE ALLOWS A PLUMBER TO PERFORM ALL PLUMBING SERVICES.
HB1172	Hammer	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW REGARDING THE PROMULGATION OF CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE RULES CONCERNING HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS.
HB1181	Copeland	TO CREATE THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT EXPANSION REPEAL AND PHASE-OUT ACT OF 2015; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1262	Miller	TO TERMINATE THE MEDICAID EXPANSION PROGRAM COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE "PRIVATE OPTION"; TO TERMINATE ARKANSAS'S PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID EXPANSION; AND TO REPEAL THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT OF 2013.
HB1165	Gonzales	TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE AND A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT.
HB1311	Gates	TO END ENROLLMENT IN THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM; TO RESTORE MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAMS PREVIOUSLY ENDED DUE TO THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

[HB1398](#)

Pitsch

TO CREATE AN UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION CREDIT FOR EMPLOYERS THAT HIRE CERTAIN PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

[HB1120](#)

Magie

TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT ACT.