

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

Monday, October 28, 2024
10:00 AM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Missy Irvin, Chair
Sen. Dan Sullivan, Vice-Chair
Sen. Scott Flippo
Sen. David Wallace
Sen. Bryan King
Sen. Clint Penzo
Sen. Justin Boyd
Sen. Fredrick J. Love

Rep. Lee Johnson, Chair
Rep. Josh Miller, Vice-Chair
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw
Rep. Jon S. Eubanks
Rep. Stephen Magie
Rep. Richard Womack
Rep. Deborah Ferguson
Rep. Jack Ladyman
Rep. Mary Bentley
Rep. Justin Gonzales

Rep. Kenneth B. Ferguson
Rep. Fred Allen
Rep. Aaron Pilkington
Rep. Mark Perry
Rep. Bart Schulz
Rep. Kendra Moore
Rep. Ryan A. Rose
Rep. Zack Gramlich
Rep. R. Scott Richardson
Rep. Jeremy Wooldridge

- A. Call to Order
- B. Consideration to Approve the September 30, 2024, Meeting Minutes **[Exhibit B]**
- C. Update on Nursing Shortages in Arkansas **[Exhibit C]**
1. Kristi Putnam, Secretary, Department of Human Services (DHS)
 2. Janet Mann, Deputy Secretary of Programs and Medicaid Director, DHS
- D. Report on Arkansas Strategic Committee for Maternal Health **[Exhibit D]**
1. Kristi Putnam, Secretary, DHS
 2. Janet Mann, Deputy Secretary of Programs and Medicaid Director, DHS
- E. Consideration for Adoption of Interim Study Proposal (ISP) **[Exhibits E1-E2]**
1. ISP 2023-122 by Representative Mary Bentley – 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.
 2. ISP 2023-123 by Representative Mary Bentley – An Act to Create the Dialysis Patient Care Technician Registration Act; And for Other Purposes.
- F. Department of Energy and Environment (E&E), Division of Environmental Quality, Review of Rule, Rule No. 1, Prevention of Pollution by Oil Field Waste **[Exhibit F]**
1. Bailey Taylor, Director, Division of Environmental Quality, E&E
 2. Kesia Morrison, Chief Counsel, E&E
 3. Basil Hicks, Attorney Supervisor, E&E
- G. E&E, Division of Environmental Quality, Review of Rule, Rule No. 6, Regulations for State Administration of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) **[Exhibit G]**
1. Bailey Taylor, Director, Division of Environmental Quality E&E
 2. Kesia Morrison, Chief Counsel, E&E
 3. Basil Hicks, Attorney Supervisor, E&E

Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at www.arkleg.state.ar.us

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- H. Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), Division for Health Protection, Infectious Disease, Review of Rule, Rules Pertaining to Rabies Control **[Exhibit H]**
 - 1. Dr. Laura Rothfeldt, State Public Health Veterinarian, ADH
 - 2. Craig Smith, Attorney, ADH
 - 3. Laura Shue, Chief General Counsel, ADH

- I. ADH, Division of Local Public Health, Review of Rules, REPEAL: Rules and Regulations for Retired Physician Immunity Act **[Exhibit I]**
 - 1. Craig Smith, Attorney, ADH
 - 2. Laura Shue, Chief General Counsel, ADH

- J. Other Business

- K. Adjournment